

TOWN OF READING

THE ANNUAL REPORT

OF RECEIPTS
AND EXPENDITURES

For the Financial Year
Ending December 31

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TOWN OFFICERS, 1910--1911

Selectmen and Fence Viewers

GEORGE L. PRATT, *Chairman*
OLIVER L. AKERLEY, *Secretary*
FREDERIC D. MERRILL

Clerk, Board of Selectmen

JOHN H. SHELDON

Overseers of the Poor

GEORGE L. PRATT, *Chairman*
OLIVER L. AKERLEY, *Secretary*
JAMES W. KILLAM

Assessors

MILLARD F. CHARLES, <i>Chairman</i>	.	Term expires 1912
ANSEL S. RICHARDS, <i>Secretary</i>	.	" " 1913
MERRICK A. STONE	.	" " 1911

Town Clerk

MILLARD F. CHARLES

Treasurer

WARD C. MANSFIELD

Collector of Taxes

HERBERT M. VIAL

Auditors

OSCAR W. BATCHELDER FRANK H. NUTTING
WILLIAM H. WILLSON

Board of Health

HERBERT B. HOWARD, <i>Chairman</i>	.	Term expires 1913
JAMES H. CARLETON	.	" " 1912
FREDERIC D. MERRILL, <i>Secretary</i>	.	" " 1911

School Committee

WALTER S. PARKER, <i>Chairman</i>	.	Term expires 1911
HOWARD W. POOR	.	" " 1911
EDWIN L. HUTCHINSON	.	" " 1912
CHARLES A. LORING	.	" " 1912
JESSE W. MORTON	.	" " 1913
IDA A. YOUNG	.	" " 1913
HARRY T. WATKINS, <i>Supt. of Schools, Sec'y</i>		

Water Commissioners

HENRY R. JOHNSON, <i>Chairman</i>	.	Term expires 1913
EDGAR N. HUNT, <i>Secretary</i>	.	" " 1912
ARCHER R. PRENTISS	.	" " 1911

Municipal Light Board

GEORGE L. FLINT, <i>Chairman</i>	.	Term expires 1912
JAMES M. MAXWELL, JR., <i>Secretary</i>	.	" " 1911
ELMER H. ROBINSON	.	" " 1913

Trustees of Public Library

HORACE G. WADLIN, <i>Chairman</i>	.	Term expires 1913
CYRUS M. BARROWS, <i>Secretary</i>	.	" " 1911
MARION F. DAVIES	.	" " 1911
GRACE L. TWOMBLY	.	" " 1912
HENRY C. PARKER	.	" " 1912
J. WOODWARD MANNING	.	" " 1913

Trustees of Laurel Hill Cemetery

GALEN A. PARKER, <i>Chairman</i>	.	Term expires 1911
ALFRED W. DANFORTH, <i>Supt. and Sec'y</i>	.	" " 1912
CHARLES H. STINCHFIELD	.	" " 1911
J. WOODWARD MANNING	.	" " 1912
ALDEN BATCHELDER	.	" " 1913
FRANK L. EDGERLEY	.	" " 1913

Registrars

MILLARD F. CHARLES, *Clerk*
 GEORGE H. CLOUGH OWEN McKENNEY
 WALTER S. PRENTISS

Engineers of Fire Department

FRANK G. NICHOLS, *Chief*
 ORVILLE O. ORDWAY
 ALBION G. NICHOLS, *Clerk*

Superintendent of Fire Alarm

LEONARD T. EAMES

Forest Warden

HERBERT E. McINTIRE

Deputies

WILLARD A. BANCROFT JOHN N. WESTON
 G. F. BLANCHARD FRANK W. DAVIS

Constables

JOHN STOCK WILLIAM H. MELLEN

Police

WILLIAM T. LEGGETT, *Chief and Keeper of Lock-up*
 WILLIAM H. MANNING ROBERT POWERS
 JOHN M. CULLINANE

Specials

SAMUEL BROWN	WILLARD A. BANCROFT
JEREMIAH J. CULLINANE	JASON ZWICKER
ASA PARKER	CLEMENT GLEASON
ARTHUR E. DAVIS	WILLIAM J. ALLEN
J. MANDE DOUCETTE	WILLIAM H. KILLAM
OSCAR H. LOW	WILLIAM C. SMITH
WALTER P. GLEASON	WILLIAM KIDDER
LEMUEL W. ALLEN	WILLIAM F. WELSH
ALDEN W. SENNETT	JOSEPH C. SHAW
WILLIAM C. McKINLEY	DAVID J. WHELTON

Truant Officer
WILLIAM KIDDER

Superintendent of Streets
LEMUEL W. ALLEN

Local Superintendent of Moth Work
HENRY M. DONEGAN

Superintendent of Town Home
WILLIAM C. SMITH

Inspector of Plumbing
GREENLEAF S. TUKEY

**Inspector of Animals, Slaughter Houses, Meats and
Provisions**
CALVERT H. PLAYDON, M. D. V.

Superintendent of Wires
ARTHUR G. SIAS

Sealer of Weights and Measures
FRANK W. PARKER

Burial Agent of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors
EPHRAIM WIGHT

Tree Warden
GUY A. HUBBARD

Finance Committee

FRANK W. B. PRATT, <i>Chairman</i>	Term expires Dec. 31, 1912
CHARLES A. WILCOX	" " " " 1911
FRANK F. STROUT	" " " " 1911
WINTHROP D. PARKER	" " " " 1911
ADELBERT E. BATCHELDER	" " " " 1911
FREDERICK L. SPRINGFORD	" " " " 1911
J. WESLEY DAVIES	" " " " 1912
JOHN CONNELLY	" " " " 1912
F. GRANT MACDONALD	" " " " 1912
HARVEY A. BANCROFT	" " " " 1912
BURTON K. SYMONDS	" " " " 1913
HENRY T. LEAVIS	" " " " 1913
CLARENCE J. NICHOLS	" " " " 1913
WILFRED A. BANCROFT	" " " " 1913
OLON BANCROFT	" " " " 1913

Measurers of Wood and Bark

JAMES A. BANCROFT	CHARLES WAKEFIELD
HAROLD F. PARKER	WENDELL BANCROFT
FREDERICK WALLACE	PERCY N. SWEETSER
GEORGE F. BUCK	EDWARD B. EAMES

Surveyors of Lumber

ORA L. MILBURY	WENDELL BANCROFT
WARREN M. WHITEHOUSE	SAMUEL BROWN
WILLIAM R. ZWICKER	BURTON K. SYMONDS
EDWARD B. EAMES	GEORGE L. FLINT
WILLIAM H. BADGER	

Weighers of Coal and Hay

GEORGE L. ELLIS	WILLIAM H. WHITE
CHARLES W. LEE	REUBEN WHITE
FRED M. PLATTS	PERCY N. SWEETSER
W. IRVING BANCROFT	HORACE J. HATCH
WENDELL BANCROFT	JOHN ROWAN
MANUEL FLORES	GEORGE A. DANE
ERNEST SURRETT	

Field Drivers

ASA PARKER	JOHN STOCK
WILLARD A. BANCROFT	

Report of Town Clerk

TOWN MEETINGS IN THE YEAR 1910

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Reading, March 7, 1910.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, and the Constable's return thereon, an election was held at the time and place therein specified. The meeting was called to order by Town Clerk Millard F. Charles, and prayer was offered by Rev. Marion F. Ham. The warrant was read by the Town Clerk and the Constable's return thereon.

The following ballot clerks were duly sworn by the Town Clerk: Chester C. Richardson, Horace E. Eames, Samuel Rounds, William H. Baker, Bartholomew J. Lehan, Charles E. Mellen.

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at this meeting.

Acting under this article proceeded to vote for a Moderator and the ballot was duly opened and closed with the following result: George L. Flint had two votes, all that were cast, and he was declared elected Moderator.

The ballots were delivered to the Moderator.

The ballot box was duly opened and examined, and pronounced empty and registering 0000, the keys being delivered to the Constable in charge. The polls were then declared open.

The following were duly sworn as tellers by the Town Clerk and Moderator: Charles O. Prichard, James A. Freeman, Frank W. Willis, Henry M. Donegan, Spencer G. Stewart, John Connelly, Daniel T. Canty.

On motion by Herbert M. Viall it was voted to close the polls at fifteen minutes past four o'clock P. M. The ballot box registered 1112 ballots: 1083 men's and 29 women's

ballots. The Ballot Clerks reported that 1083 names of men were checked off as voting and that 29 women voted. The Tellers reported they had counted 1112 ballots—1083 men and 29 women.

The following is the result of the ballot:

TOWN CLERK FOR ONE YEAR

Walter K. Badger, 26 Grand st.	447
Millard F. Charles, 66 Bancroft ave.	584
Blanks	52

SELECTMEN FOR ONE YEAR

Oliver L. Akerley, 84 Woburn st.	694
James W. Killam, 16 Arlington st.	564
Frederick D. Merrill, 107 Haven st.	656
George L. Pratt, 71 Salem st.	716
Blanks	619

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR FOR ONE YEAR

Oliver L. Akerley, 84 Woburn st.	770
James W. Killam, 16 Arlington st.	669
Frederick D. Merrill, 107 Haven st.	27
George L. Pratt, 71 Salem st.	809
Blanks	974

ASSESSOR FOR THREE YEARS

John H. Adden, 159 Main st.	281
Ardine M. Allen, 77 Bancroft ave.	247
Ansel S. Richards, 201 Summer ave.	455
Blanks	100

TREASURER FOR ONE YEAR

Ward C. Mansfield, 49 Prescott st.	933
Blanks	150

TAX COLLECTOR FOR ONE YEAR

Merrick A. Stone, 79 Woburn st.	382
Herbert M. Viall, 42 Bancroft ave.	673
Blanks	28

BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THREE YEARS

Herbert B. Howard, 122 Summer ave.	822
Blanks	261

CONSTABLES FOR ONE YEAR

Charles J. Haag, 6 Ash st.	502
William H. Mellen, 3 Winthrop ave.	541
John Stock, 22 Belmont st.	601
Blanks	521
E. S. Abbott	1

WATER COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS

Henry R. Johnson, 5 Sanborn st.	806
Blanks	277

WATER COMMISSIONER FOR TWO YEARS

Edgar N. Hunt, 125 Summer ave.	849
Blanks	234

WATER COMMISSIONER FOR ONE YEAR

Archer R. Prentiss, 33 Berkeley st.	841
Blanks	242

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD FOR THREE YEARS

Adelbert E. Batchelder, 69 Franklin st.	312
Prescott R. Nichols, Prospect st. Extn.	193
Elmer H. Robinson, 85 Woburn st.	428
Blanks	150

TRUSTEES LAUREL HILL CEMETERY FOR THREE YEARS

Alden Batchelder, 225 Main st.	809
Frank L. Edgerley, 185 Main st.	842
Blanks	515

TRUSTEES PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR THREE YEARS

J. Woodward Manning, 128 High st.	826
Horace G. Wadlin, 118 Woburn st.	808
Blanks	532

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS

Jesse W. Morton, 101 Woburn st.	786
Ida A. Young, 86 Woburn st.	806
Blanks	623
Grace L. Twombly	6

AUDITORS FOR ONE YEAR

Oscar W. Batchelder, 69 Franklin st.	780
Frank H. Nutting, Prospect st. Extn.	761
William H. Willson, 167 Woburn st.	755
Blanks	953

TREE WARDEN FOR ONE YEAR

Guy A. Hubbard, 255 Main st.	776
Blanks	306
Herbert Hanscom	1

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors:

Yes	157
No	687
Blanks	239

The votes were counted in open town meeting and the result declared by the Moderator, whereupon the votes were sealed and delivered to the Town Clerk. Voted to adjourn.

MILLARD F. CHARLES,

Town Clerk.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Reading, March 7, 1910.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant and the Constable's return thereon a town meeting was held at the time and place therein mentioned. The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, Millard F. Charles. The warrant was partially read when a motion was made to dispense with further reading of the warrant, except the Constable's return thereon, which was so voted.

Art. 1 To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting. Proceeded to ballot. George L. Pratt was appointed to check the names of those voting. The ballot was duly opened and closed with the following result: Whole number of votes cast, six. George L. Flint had six, and was duly declared elected Moderator.

Art. 2. To hear and act on the reports of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Assessors, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, School Committee, Water Commissioners, Municipal Light Board, Engineers of Fire Department, Trustees of the Cemetery, Trustees of the Public Library, Auditors, Board of Health, Finance Committee, Tree Warden, and Special Committees.

Art. 2. Voted to lay on the table.

Art. 3. To choose all other Town Officers, and to determine what instructions they will give the Town Officers.

Voted that Asa Parker, John Stock, and Willard A. Bancroft serve the Town as Field Drivers for the ensuing year.

Voted that William C. Smith act as Pound Keeper for the ensuing year.

Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to appoint Measurers of Wood and Bark and Weighers of Coal and Hay, etc.

Voted that Ora L. Milbury, Wendell Bancroft, Warren M. Whitehouse, Samuel Brown, William R. Zwicker, Burton K. Symonds, Edward B. Eames, George L. Flint, and William H. Badger serve as Surveyors of Lumber for the ensuing year.

Voted that the Collector be instructed to collect all taxes (so far as possible) on or before October 1, and upon all taxes unpaid at that time to add interest at six per cent. per annum from said date until paid, and also to collect all taxes unpaid January 1, forthwith, by process of law, unless delinquents procure an order from the Selectmen releasing them from immediate payment.

Voted that the Selectmen be instructed to appoint an Inspector of Wires at a salary of \$100 per year, in accordance with Chapter 122, Section 18, of the Revised Statutes.

Art. 3. Voted to lay on the table.

Arts. 39 and 40. Voted to take up.

Art. 39. To see if the Town will instruct all town officers placing fire insurance, to use the blanket form, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 39. Voted that all town officers having occasion to place fire insurance be instructed to adopt the blanket form.

Art. 40. To see if the Town will instruct its several officials to hereafter secure its insurance through the Town Treasurer, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 40. Voted that the several town officials secure their insurance through the Board of Selectmen, together with the Town Treasurer.

Art. 26. Voted to take up.

Art. 26. To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the municipal year beginning January 1, in anticipation of the collection of taxes for said year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the Town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year from the dates thereof. All debts incurred under authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Art. 26. Voted that the Treasurer be, and hereby is, authorized, with the approval of the majority of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time, during the current municipal year, beginning January 1, 1910, in anticipation of the taxes of said municipal year, a sum or sums not exceeding at any one time outstanding \$110,000 (but not exceeding the total tax levy) for the purpose of meeting the current

expenses of the Town, and to give the notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year from their dates. All debts incurred under authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of said current municipal year. Said notes shall not be valid unless authenticated by the certificate of the First National Bank of Boston.

Art. 4. Voted to take up.

Art. 4. To determine how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for Schools, Incidental School Expenses, Repairs of Highways, Bridges and Sidewalks, Sprinkling Streets, Removing Snow and Ice, Concrete Sidewalks and Edgestones (providing abutters pay one-half), Fire Department, Police Department, Moth Department, Forest Warden, Support of Poor, Salaries of Town Officers, State and Military Aid, Soldiers' Relief, Printing, Abatement of Taxes, Town Buildings, Cemetery, Public Library, Memorial Day, Board of Health, Care of Old South Clock, Interest Account, Care and Improvement of Common, Mayall Park and Elm Park, Election Expenses, Concrete Work, Miscellaneous Expenses, Tree Warden and Rent of Playground.

Art. 4:

Voted to raise and appropriate for regular School Expenses	\$30,000
(and appropriate receipts received for tuition)	
Voted to raise and appropriate for Incidental School Expenses	5,000
Voted to raise and appropriate for Highways, Bridges and Sidewalks	4,000
(\$1,000 of which to be expended to macadamize Salem st. provided we get an allotment from the State)	
Voted to raise and appropriate for the Sprinkling of Streets	500
Voted that the amount necessary for the removing of Snow and Ice be taken from appropriations for Highways, Bridges and Sidewalks	

Voted that the amount necessary for Concrete Sidewalks and Edgestones (provided abutters pay one-half) be taken from the appropriation for Highways, Bridges and Sidewalks	
Voted to raise and appropriate for Fire Department	\$6,000
Voted to raise and appropriate for Police Department	3,800
Voted to raise and appropriate for Moth Department	2,182
Voted to raise and appropriate for Forest Warden	250
Voted to raise and appropriate for the Support of the Poor	3,300
Voted to raise and appropriate for Salaries of Town Officers	3,500
Voted to raise and appropriate for State and Military Aid	2,500
Voted to raise and appropriate for Soldiers' Relief	1,000
Voted to raise and appropriate for Printing .	750
Voted to raise and appropriate for Abatement of Taxes	800
(and appropriate from available assets \$1,000)	
Voted to raise and appropriate for Town Building	500
Voted to raise and appropriate for Cemetery .	1,250
(\$150 of which is to be used in placing bound stones on new lots)	
Voted to raise and appropriate for Public Library (and appropriate the proceeds of dog tax)	1,000
Voted to raise and appropriate for Memorial Day (to be expended under direction of Post 194, G. A. R.)	175
Voted to raise and appropriate for Board of Health (also voted to raise and appropriate \$700 to take care of expense caused by small-pox)	600

Voted that \$50 be taken from amount raised for
Miscellaneous Expenses for care of Old South
Clock

Voted to raise and appropriate for Interest Account	\$2,000
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Voted to raise and appropriate for Care and Im- provement of the Common, Mayall Park and Elm Park	125
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Voted to raise and appropriate for Election Ex- penses	300
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Voted that the amount necessary for Concrete
Work be taken from the appropriation for
Highways, Bridges and Sidewalks

Voted to raise and appropriate for Miscellaneous Expenses	1,100
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Voted to raise and appropriate for Tree Warden	500
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Voted to raise and appropriate for the Rent of Playground	342
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Voted to raise and appropriate for Insurance on School Buildings	1,000
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Art. 4. Voted to lay on the table.

Art. 3. Voted to take up.

Art. 3. Voted that the depreciation fund of the Electric
Light Department be kept and managed by the Town Treas-
urer as a separate fund, subject to appropriation by the
Municipal Light Board as directed and required by Chapter
411, Acts 1906, approved May 22, 1906.

Art. 27. Voted to take up.

Art. 27. To determine the compensation of the Col-
lector.

Art. 27. Voted that the compensation of the Collector
of Taxes be the same as last year, that is, one-half of one
per cent. on collections, and postage.

Art. 5. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate, with the receipts of the Municipal Light and Power Department for the year 1910, for maintenance, operation, repairs and new construction of said plant, and for payment of bonds, notes, interest and depreciation due by said plant during this year, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 5. Voted that the sum of \$10,000 be raised, appropriated for street lighting during the year 1910, and this amount together with the receipts of the Municipal Light and Power Department for the year 1910 be appropriated for maintenance, operation, repairs and new construction of said plant, and for payment of bonds, notes and interest; and that \$3,556 be appropriated from the receipts of the plant for said depreciation of said plant for the fiscal year 1910.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to extend its lines to the Town of North Reading, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500 to extend the lines of the Municipal Light and Power Department to the Town of North Reading, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Arts. 6 and 7. Voted to take up together. After discussion it was voted to lay said articles on the table.

Voted to adjourn until Monday evening, March 14, 1910, at 7.45 P. M.

MILLARD F. CHARLES,

Town Clerk.

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING

Reading, March 14, 1910.

Pursuant to adjournment on March 7, 1910, a town meeting was held and called to order by the Moderator, George L. Flint.

Art. 3. Voted to take from the table.

Art. 3. Voted that the Overseers of the Poor be instructed to investigate the question of the combination of the Town Homes of Reading, North Reading and other towns, and report to the Town as soon as possible.

Art. 3. Voted to lay on the table.

Art. 8. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1207.55 to make up the deficiency in the street lighting appropriation for 1909, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 8. Voted to pass over.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install an incandescent street lamp on Green street, near the corner of Elliot street, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install an incandescent street lamp on Arlington street, midway between Woburn and Prescott streets, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install incandescent street lamps on High street at the corner of Middlesex avenue, also junction of High and Woburn streets, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install an incandescent street lamp on Pleasant street, at the corner of Parker street, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install a Tungsten light on a pole on Berkeley street, midway between Woburn and Fremont streets, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install an arc or incandescent light at the intersection of Scotland road and South Prospect street, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install an arc or incandescent light on Middlesex avenue, midway between High and Vine streets, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install an arc or incandescent light on Grand street, north of Middlesex avenue, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install an arc or incandescent light at or near the residence of J. B. Nichols, on North Main street, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 9 to 17 inclusive. Voted to act on as one article. Voted that Tungsten lights be installed as called for in said articles and the amount of money necessary be taken from the regular appropriation for the Municipal Light Plant.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install an arc or incandescent light on West street, at the junction of Summer avenue and Willow streets, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 18. Voted that there be raised and appropriated \$160 for arc lamp at junction of Willow and West streets and Summer avenue.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install an arc or incandescent light at the corner of Grove and Franklin streets, and how much money

they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 19. Voted to raise and appropriate \$110 for arc lamp at junction of Grove and Franklin streets.

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to renew the storage battery, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 20. Voted to raise and appropriate \$150 for storage battery for fire alarm.

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a pung for Hose Four, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 21. Voted to raise and appropriate \$65 for pung for Hose Four.

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to paint Hose Houses Three and Four on the outside, and Hose House Two on the inside, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 22. Voted to raise and appropriate \$75 for painting Hose Houses Three and Four on the outside and Hose House Two on the inside.

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to locate a fire alarm box at the corner of Temple street and Summer avenue, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Voted that the amount necessary be taken from the regular appropriation of the Fire Department for fire alarm box at the corner of Temple street and Summer avenue.

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to locate a fire alarm box on West street, at or near the J. B. Severance estate, and how much money they will raise and appropriate therefor, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 24. Voted to raise and appropriate \$150 for fire alarm box on West street, near the J. B. Severance estate.

Art. 25. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for service pipes, hydrant rental, water for drinking fountains, water for street sprinkling, interest on water loan and maintenance of water works, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 25. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate \$5,370 for hydrant rentals, \$500 for street sprinkling, \$300 for water for drinking fountains, a total of \$6,170; and that the above-named sums, together with the receipts for water, be appropriated for interest on the water loans, maintenance of water works and for service pipes, and that \$2000 be paid to the Town Treasurer to be used in part payment of the water bonds.

Art. 28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$50 for the purpose of furnishing electricity for lighting Grand Army Hall on Haven street, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 28. Voted that \$50 be taken from Miscellaneous Expense Account for electricity for lighting Grand Army Hall.

Art. 29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,390 to meet the interest on school house notes and bonds.

Art. 29. Voted to raise and appropriate \$3,390 for interest on school house notes and bonds.

Art. 30. To see what action the Town will take to meet the payment of the High School house lot note for \$2000, due April 21, 1910.

Art. 30. Voted that \$2,000 be appropriated from available assets for High School house lot note due April 21, 1910.

Art. 31. To see what action the Town will take to meet the payment on the High School house bonds for \$3,000 due August 1, 1910.

Art. 31. Voted to raise and appropriate \$3,000 for High School house bonds due Aug. 1, 1910.

Art. 32. To see what action the Town will take to meet the payment of the High School house bonds for \$5,000 due November 1, 1910.

Art. 32. Voted to raise and appropriate \$5,000 for High School house bonds due November 1, 1910.

Art. 33. To see what action the Town will take to meet the payment of the High School house note for \$1,000 due December 3, 1910.

Art. 33. Voted that \$1,000 be appropriated from available assets for High School house note due December 3, 1910.

Art. 34. To see what action the Town will take to meet the payment of the High School house note for \$1,000 due December 21, 1910.

Art. 34. Voted that \$1,000 be appropriated from available assets for High School house note due December 21, 1910.

Art. 35. To see if the Town will purchase land for a playground, and how much money they will raise and appropriate or otherwise provide for that purpose, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 35. Voted to pass over.

Art. 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$975 to pay for inspection of beef for 1909, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 36. Moved that \$975 be paid for inspection of beef during 1909. The motion was not carried.

Art. 6 and 7. Voted to take up.

Moved that the Municipal Light Board be authorized to extend their lines into the Town of North Reading, provided advantageous contracts can be made for the use of the current, and that to cover the expense of said extension, the Treasurer be authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Selectmen, a sum not exceeding \$7,500, and to issue the note or notes of the Town therefor, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent.

After discussion it was voted to indefinitely postpone Art. 6 and 7.

Art. 37. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 toward band concerts the coming summer, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 37. Voted to raise and appropriate \$200 for band concerts.

Art. 38. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, to make a thorough revaluation of the property of the Town and publish same in a book, and to see what instructions they will give the Board of Assessors, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 38. Voted that the town instruct the Board of Assessors to make a thorough revaluation of the property of the Town and publish the same in a book; and that the Town raise and appropriate \$1,000 to defray the expense of the book and extra labor required, and that the valuation of 1909 be printed in the same book.

Art. 41. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to employ a Clerk, and how much money they will raise and appropriate for that purpose, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 41. Voted to raise and appropriate \$500 for Clerk for the Board of Selectmen.

Art. 42. To hear and act on the report of the Selectmen on the laying out of Highland avenue and Vine place, from High street to Mineral street, and to determine if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$300 for that purpose, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 42. Report of Selectmen on laying out of Highland avenue and Vine place, from High street to Mineral street:

We, the subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Reading, after giving due notice to all parties interested, have laid out for use of the Town as a public way described as follows:—

Beginning on the Northerly side of Mineral street at land of David C. Temple's heirs, then the line runs by a curve to the right within a radius of eleven and seventy-seven-one hundredths (11 77-100) feet, then North $23^{\circ} 54'$ West one hundred ninety-five and five-tenths (195 5-10) feet over land of said Temple's heirs to land of J. Woodward Manning, then North 34° West five hundred twenty-nine and five-tenths (529 5-10) feet over land of said Manning to land of one Johnson, then North $14^{\circ} 15'$, West ninety (90) feet, then by a curve to the right with a radius of ten (10) feet, fifteen and seven-tenths (15 7-10) feet over land of said Johnson, Martin B. Hartshorn, F. S. Bryant, Martin B. Hartshorn and George C. Meader, then by a curve to the right with a radius of ten and eight-one hundredths (10 8-100) feet fifteen and seventy-eight one-hundredths (15 78-100) feet over land of said Meader to the Westerly side of High street; said way is forty (40) feet wide for the first three courses and lies on the Westerly side of above-described line, and forty-five (45) feet wide on the last described line and lies on the northerly side of said line. We have also rounded the corner opposite the end on Mineral street, and opposite the end on High street. Said way is intended to conform to the lines shown in red on a plan of same made by James A. Bancroft dated February 14, 1910, which is to be considered a part of this report. We would recommend that said way running from Mineral street to High street be named Vine street, and when the report is accepted and adopted by the Town the said way shall thereafter be known as a public Town way.

JAMES W. KILLAM,
OLIVER L. AKERLEY,
GEORGE L. PRATT,

Selectmen of Reading.

Reading, February 26, 1910.

Voted to accept report and adopt the recommendation of the Selectmen in regard to the laying out of Vine street, and that the sum of \$300 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Art. 43. To see if the Town will authorize and instruct its Treasurer to keep all money which may hereafter be received for the sale of Cemetery lots separate from all other money of the Town, and deposit the same in the Savings Bank or banks, when received. All money so received, together with the income thereof, shall be known as "The Cemetery Fund," and shall be kept intact until such time as the Town shall vote to use the whole or any part thereof, for the care or improvement of the Cemetery, to which use it is hereby set apart and appropriated, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 43. Voted that the Town Treasurer be and hereby is instructed to keep an account known as the "Cemetery Account." All money received from the sale of lots and single graves shall be credited to this account. Disbursement shall be made from this account for the benefit of the Cemetery at such times and for such amounts as the citizens of the Town shall vote. At the close of each year there shall be added to this account an amount equal to four per cent. interest on the daily balance, such amount to be taken from the regular appropriations for interest, but any action taken under this article shall not prevent the Treasurer from paying from the proceeds of the sale of lots the Cemetery notes which the Town owes.

Art. 2. Voted to take from the table.

Art. 2. After some discussion it was voted to lay this article on the table.

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Reading, March 14, 1910.

Art. 44. To see if the Town will vote to remove the elevation on Winthrop avenue, near Lowell street, and how much money they will raise and appropriate for that purpose, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 44. Voted to refer the subject matter of this article, repairs of Winthrop avenue, to the Board of Selectmen.

Art. 45. To see if the Town will widen the sidewalk on the westerly side of Main street, at the curve near the Old South M. E. Church, and how much money they will raise and appropriate for that purpose, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 45. Voted to refer the subject matter of this article, widening sidewalk on westerly side of Main st., north of the Old South M. E. Church, to the Board of Selectmen.

Art. 46. To see if the Town will amend its By Laws so that the annual town meeting for the transaction of business may be held on some day other than the first Monday in March.

Art. 46. Voted that the Town By Laws be amended by striking out Section 1 of Article 1, and insert the following in its place :

The annual town meeting for the election of all town officers to be elected by ballot, and for the consideration of all questions to be voted for by ballot, shall be held on the first Monday of March of each year.

The annual town meeting for the transaction of all other Town business shall be held on the second Monday of March of each year, and special meetings at such times as the Selectmen may appoint.

Art. 47. To see if the Town will vote to furnish creosote free to citizens of the Town to paint gypsy moth nests, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 47. Voted to furnish creosote free to the citizens of Reading to paint gypsy moth nests.

Art. 48. To hear and act on the report of the Selectmen in relation to guide posts, and to determine if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$50 for the repair of the same.

Art. 48. Report of the Selectmen on guide posts :

Guide posts or suitable substitutes therefor are erected and maintained at the following locations, viz. :—

Corner Walnut street and South street.

“ Walnut street and Summer avenue.

“ Main street and Summer avenue.

“ Woburn street and Summer avenue.

“ West street and Summer avenue.

“ West street and Woburn street.

“ Lowell street and Willow street (2).

“ Lowell street and High street.

“ Lowell street and Middlesex avenue.

“ Grove street and Franklin street.

“ Main street and Franklin street.

“ Mill street and Short street.

“ Franklin street and Haverhill street.

“ Charles street and Haverhill street.

“ Haverhill street and Pine street.

“ Pine street and Salem street.

“ Charles street and Pearl street.

“ Charles street and Main street.

“ Main street and Pearl street.

“ Main street and Salem street.

“ Salem street and Lowell street.

“ Woburn street and Lowell street (2).

“ Salem street and Harnden street.

“ Main street and Pleasant street.

“ Pleasant street and Parker street.

“ Haven street and Village street.

“ Haven street and Ash street.

“ Main street and Ash street.

“ Middlesex avenue and High street.

Main street on the Common.

Harnden street near Pleasant street.

JAMES W. KILLAM,
OLIVER L. AKERLEY,
GEORGE L. PRATT,

Selectmen of Reading.

Voted to accept and adopt report of Selectmen on guide posts and that \$50 be appropriated from Miscellaneous Expenses for guide posts and their repairs during the fiscal year.

Art. 46. Voted to reconsider said Article. Voted that Solon Bancroft be a committee of one to get the Amended By Laws approved by the Superior Court.

Art. 49. To see what instructions the Town will give the Board of Selectmen in relation to filling vacancies which may occur on the Finance Committee.

Art. 49. Voted that the Selectmen be instructed to fill all vacancies that may occur on the Finance Committee, and that they be instructed not to appoint any town officer or member of a department on said committee.

Art. 2. Voted to take from the table.

Voted that the reports of the various town officers and Finance Committee be accepted as printed.

Voted to adjourn sine die.

A true record. Attest:

MILLARD F. CHARLES,

 Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Reading, Mass., April 18, 1910.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant and the Constable's return thereon a town meeting was held at the time and place therein specified. The meeting was called to order by Town Clerk Millard F. Charles. The warrant was read and the Constable's return.

Art. 1. To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 1. Proceeded to ballot. George L. Pratt was appointed to check the names of those voting. The ballot was duly opened and closed with the following result: Whole number of votes cast, seven; George L. Flint received that number and was declared unanimously elected Moderator.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to build a Town Hall on the land now owned by the Town on Pleasant and

Parker streets, adjoining the present Town Building, and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of procuring plans therefor, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Art. 2. Moved that a committee of five voters be appointed to procure preliminary plans and estimates of cost of a building to be used as a Town Hall to be erected on the land now owned by the Town on Pleasant and Parker streets, adjoining the present Town Building, such committee to report at the next regular or special town meeting; said committee to be authorized to incur an expense of not exceeding three hundred dollars for such plans and estimates, the plans to become the property of the Town.

A substitute motion offered by John H. Robinson was voted as follows: That the Chairman of the Selectmen, School Committee, Water Commissioner, Trustees of Public Library, Municipal Light Board and the Chairman and Secretary of the Finance Committee be appointed a committee to consider the present and prospective needs of the Town for buildings and rooms for public uses, how far these may be met in buildings now owned by the Town, what needs for additional land and new buildings will soon demand attention, and what disposition should be made of land and buildings the Town can no longer use to advantage; and to report at the next annual town meeting.

Art. 3. To hear and act on the report of the Assessors on the matter of refunding taxes said to be erroneously assessed to Willard J. Brooks of Bethel, Vt., for years 1895 to 1907 inclusive, which was referred to them by a vote taken at a special town meeting held November 30, 1909.

Art. 3. Assessors reported against the payment to Willard J. Brooks of Bethel, Vt., of any taxes said to be erroneously assessed to him. Voted to receive said report and to place it on file.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$105 to refund Willard J. Brooks of Bethel, Vt.,

for taxes erroneously assessed for years 1895 to 1907 inclusive, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 4. Moved by C. Winthrop Smith that the Treasurer of the Town be authorized and directed to pay to Willard J. Brooks, the sum of \$105 in full settlement of all taxes heretofore erroneously assessed to him and paid by him.

The motion was not carried.

Voted to adjourn.

MILLARD F. CHARLES,
Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

Reading, June 21, 1910.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant and the Constable's return thereon, a town meeting was held at the time and place therein specified, to wit., Lyceum Hall, and was called to order by Town Clerk Millard F. Charles. The warrant and Constable's return thereon was read, and under Article 1 the meeting proceeded to the election of a Moderator to preside. The ballot was duly opened and closed. George L. Pratt was appointed to check those voting. Whole number of votes cast, eight; necessary for a choice, five; C. Winthrop Smith had one, Jesse W. Morton had one, George L. Flint had six, and was declared elected Moderator.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 to complete and furnish the school building on Lowell street, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 2. Voted to raise and appropriate \$2,500 to complete and furnish the school building on Lowell street.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to extend its lines to the Town of North Reading, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 3. Voted that the Municipal Light Board be authorized to extend the line of the Electric Light and Power Department into the Town of North Reading, as per the

recommendation of the Finance Committee, and to contract for lighting the streets of said Town of North Reading for a period of five years, provided an advantageous contract can be made.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, the sum of \$12,000 to be used by the Municipal Light Board for the purpose of extending the lines of the Municipal Light and Power Department into the Town of North Reading, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 4. Voted that the Town Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue the notes of the Town for an amount not exceeding \$12,000 for the purpose of extending the lines of the Electric Light and Power Department into the Town of North Reading: said notes to be issued in denominations of \$1,000 each, at a rate of interest not exceeding five per cent., the first note to be due and payable in the year 1914, and one each year thereafter until the entire issue shall have been paid. This vote was taken by a rising vote; 45 voted yes and none no.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install a Tungsten lamp on Linden street, near the northerly corner of the High School lot, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install a Tungsten lamp on Linden street, midway between Woburn and Haven streets, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install a Tungsten lamp on Belmont street, midway between Salem and Orange streets, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install a Tungsten lamp on Pine street, near the residence of Frederic Isaacs, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to install a Tungsten lamp on the north side of Sweetser avenue, near Minot street, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Arts. 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9. Voted to take up and consider jointly, and that the Municipal Light Board be authorized to install the Tungsten lights as asked for under Articles 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, as recommended by the Finance Committee, and that the expense of such installation be taken from the balance of construction cash on hand.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Light Board to improve the system of street lighting in the Town, and how much money they will raise and appropriate or otherwise provide forth at purpose, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 10. Voted that the Municipal Light Board be authorized to expend the sum of \$200 for the purpose of improving the system of street lighting in the town, the money to be taken from the depreciation fund.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, the sum of \$1,200 for the use of the Municipal Light and Power Department for additions and extensions to plant during the present year, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 11. Voted that the ordinary extensions and additions to the Municipal Light Plant during the year 1910 be paid for from the depreciation fund.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will raise the salaries of the members of the Board of Health to \$75 per year, and raise and appropriate \$150 for that purpose, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 12. Voted to raise the salaries of each member of the Board of Health to \$75 per year and that \$150 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to locate a fire alarm box at the corner of Oak and South Prospect streets, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$75 for that purpose, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 13. Voted to locate a fire alarm box at the corner of Oak and South Prospect streets and to raise and appropriate \$75 therefor.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to submit the matter of Dr. C. H. Playdon's bill against the Town to a Board of Arbitration, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 14. Voted that the Town submit the matter of Dr. C. H. Playdon's bill to a Board of Arbitration: two of said board to be appointed by the Town, two by Dr. Playdon, and the fifth by these four; the duties of said Board to inquire into the justice of the claim and report its findings to the Town at a subsequent meeting.

Voted to adjourn.

MILLARD F. CHARLES,

 Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Reading, August 29, 1910.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant and the Constable's return thereon a town meeting was held at the time and place therein mentioned. The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, Millard F. Charles. The warrant was read and the Constable's return thereon.

Art. 1 was taken up and proceeded to the election of a Moderator. George L. Pratt was appointed to check the names of those voting for a Moderator. The ballot was duly opened and closed and the result of the balloting was declared as follows: whole number of votes cast, nine; George L. Flint received nine votes and was declared elected Moderator.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 to make necessary repairs to the Mineral street bridge, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 2. Voted that \$500 be appropriated from the \$1,000 raised and appropriated at the March annual town meeting for State highway on Salem street to make necessary repairs on Mineral street bridge over Boston & Maine Railroad.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$300 for street sprinkling, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 3. Voted that \$300 be appropriated from the \$1,000 raised and appropriated at the March annual town meeting for State highway on Salem street for street sprinkling and necessary repairs of the watering cart.

Art. 4. To hear and act on the report of the Arbitration Committee appointed at a special town meeting June 21, 1910, to investigate the bill of Dr. C. H. Playdon.

Art. 4. The Arbitration Committee made a report of their findings in regard to the Dr. C. H. Playdon bill vs. the Town.

Voted to accept report of Arbitration Committee.

Art. 5. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate to carry out the recommendation of the Arbitration Committee, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 5. Voted that the report of the Arbitration Committee be printed in THE READING CHRONICLE and its recommendations be considered at some future town meeting.

Voted to adjourn.

MILLARD F. CHARLES,

Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Reading, October 25, 1910.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant and the Constable's return thereon, a town meeting was held at the place and

time therein mentioned. The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, Millard F. Charles, who read the warrant and the Constable's return thereon, and then proceeded under Article 1 to elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting. George L. Pratt was appointed to check those voting. The ballot was duly opened and closed with the following result: whole number of votes cast, one; George L. Flint had that one and was declared unanimously elected Moderator.

Art. 2 To hear and act on a petition from the People's Gas and Electric Co. of Stoneham for permission to extend and maintain its gas mains in the Town of Reading.

Art. 2. Moved and seconded that the Board of Selectmen be instructed to grant to the People's Gas and Electric Co., its successors and assigns, the right to extend and maintain its gas mains in the streets of Reading.

It was voted to substitute the following motion: That a committee of three citizens of the Town be appointed by the Moderator, to act in conjunction with the Selectmen, whose duty it shall be to report at the next town meeting the most feasible plan of supplying the Town with gas for fuel and lighting, and be instructed to investigate and report the legal position of the town in relation to the entire gas situation.

Fifty-one voted yes; none voted no. It was declared a unanimous vote.

The following were appointed by the Moderator as a Committee: Frank W. B. Pratt, Elmer H. Robinson, John H. Sheldon.

On motion of John B. Lewis, Jr., it was voted that the citizens of Reading want gas extended through the Town.

Voted to adjourn.

MILLARD F. CHARLES,
Town Clerk.

ANNUAL STATE ELECTION

Reading, Mass., Nov. 8, 1910.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant and the Constable's return thereon an election was held at the place and time therein mentioned. The meeting was called to order by George L. Pratt, chairman of the Board of Selectmen and presiding election officer. The warrant was read, the ballot box was opened and examined and declared empty and registered 0000. The keys of the ballot box were delivered to the constable in charge of the ballot box. The ballots were delivered to the presiding election officer, who receipted for 1700 ballots.

The following were appointed ballot clerks and were duly sworn by the Town Clerk: Chester C. Richardson, Samuel Rounds, Frank E. Gray, Horace E. Eames, William H. Baker.

The following were appointed tellers and were duly sworn by the Town Clerk: Spencer G. Stewart, James A. Waters, John Connelly, Bartholemew J. Lehan, Frank W. Willis, George M. Hutchinson, James A. Freeman, George E. Horrocks.

The polls were declared open at 6 o'clock A. M. It was voted to close the polls at 4 o'clock and 20 minutes.

The ballot box registered at close of polls 1083 as having voted. Ballots were taken out of the ballot box several times during the day, no objection being made.

The polls were duly declared closed at 4 o'clock and 20 minutes.

The ballot clerks reported that 1081 names had been checked. The tellers reported that 1081 ballots had been counted.

The following is the result of the vote cast as counted by the tellers:—

FOR GOVERNOR

Eben S. Draper of Hopedale	659
Eugene N. Foss of Boston'	335
Eugene N. Foss of Boston	34
Eugene N. Foss of Boston (total 384)	15
John A. Nichols of Boston	11
Moritz E. Ruther of Holyoke	4
Daniel A. White of Brockton	9
Blanks	14

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

Thomas F. Cassidy of Adams	268
Louis A. Frothingham of Boston	736
Henry C. Hess of Boston	4
Patrick Mahoney of Cambridge	10
William G. Merrill of Malden	13
Blanks	50

SECRETARY

Harriet D'Orsay of Lynn	17
Charles J. Martell of Boston	235
Andrew Mortenson of Somerville	6
William M. Olin of Boston	745
William E. Thomas of Boston	17
Blanks	61

TREASURER

Carl Frederickson of Worcester	9
Thomas A. Frissell of Hinsdale	11
Sylvester J. McBride of Watertown	12
Benjamin F. Peach of Lynn	233
Elmer A. Stevens of Somerville	742
Blanks	74

AUDITOR

John Holt of Worcester	12
Jeremiah P. McNally of Salem	1
Ambrose Miles of Lynn	14
Charles C. Paine of Barnstable	228
Henry E. Turner of Malden	728
Blanks	98

ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Dennis McGoff of New Bedford	4
Harold Metcalf of New Bedford	16
John B. Ratigan of Worcester	224
James M. Swift of Fall River	731
Blanks	106

CONGRESSMAN, FIFTH DISTRICT

Butler Ames of Lowell	726
James H. Carmichael of Lowell	249
Blanks	106

COUNCILLOR, SIXTH DISTRICT

Herbert E. Fletcher of Westford	729
J. Kelso Mairs of Waltham	215
Blanks	137

SENATOR, SEVENTH MIDDLESEX DISTRICT

Frank P. Bennett, Jr., of Saugus	729
Philip A. Kiely of Lynn	271
Blanks	81

TWO REPRESENTATIVES TO GENERAL COURT, TWENTIETH
MIDDLESEX DISTRICT

George F. Bean of Woburn	581
Herbert N. Buck of Wilmington	620
George L. Flint of Reading	389
Joseph H. Parker, Jr., of Woburn	270
Blanks	301

COUNTY COMMISSIONER, MIDDLESEX

Charles H. Richardson of Lowell	.	.	.	.	713
Dexter C. Whittemore of Carlisle	.	.	.	.	228
Blanks	.	.	.	.	140

COUNTY COMMISSIONER, MIDDLESEX (VACANCY)

Winthrop H. Fairbanks of Sudbury	.	.	.	.	243
Chester B. Williams of Wayland	.	.	.	.	680
Blanks	.	.	.	.	158

TWO ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONERS, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Leander V. Colahan of Stoneham	.	.	.	.	208
Joseph L. Marin of Lowell	.	.	.	.	184
Frank A. Patch of Littleton	.	.	.	.	633
Edward Everett Thompson of Woburn	.	.	.	.	678
Blanks	.	.	.	.	459

DISTRICT ATTORNEY, NORTHERN DISTRICT

John J. Higgins of Somerville	.	.	.	.	720
James J. Irwin of Everett	.	.	.	.	233
Samuel Brown of Reading	.	.	.	.	1
Blanks	.	.	.	.	127

SHERIFF, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

John R. Fairbairn of Cambridge	.	.	.	.	721
Whitfield L. Tuck of Winchester	.	.	.	.	238
Samuel Brown of Reading	.	.	.	.	1
Blanks	.	.	.	.	121

The ballots were counted and declared in open town meeting and sealed and delivered to the Town Clerk.

It was then voted to adjourn.

MILLARD F. CHARLES,
Town Clerk.

Reading, November 14, 1910.

To the Town Clerk of Reading:

The Board of Registrars recounted the ballots cast for Senator in the Seventh Middlesex District with the following result:

Frank P. Bennett of Saugus	729
Philip A. Kiely of Lynn	271
Blanks	81
Total ballot counted	1081

GEORGE H. CLOUGH,
OWEN McKENNEY,
WALTER S. PRENTISS,
MILLARD F. CHARLES, Clerk
Board of Registrars.

A true record. Attest:

MILLARD F. CHARLES,
Town Clerk.

VOTE FOR REPRESENTATIVE TO LEGISLATURE TWENTIETH MIDDLESEX DISTRICT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX

CITY OF WOBURN

[SEAL]

In accordance with the provisions of Section 290, Chapter 560, Acts of 1907, the City Clerk of Woburn and the Town Clerks of Burlington, Reading, North Reading and Wilmington, being the City and Town Clerks of every city and town in Representative District number twenty within said County, met at the City Hall, Woburn, at noon, on Friday, November 18, A. D. 1910, being the tenth day succeeding the day of the State Election held on Tuesday, November 8, A. D. 1910, and then and there opened, examined and compared the copies of the records of votes cast

at said election for the office of Representative and determined therefrom that Joseph H. Parker, Jr., of Woburn and Herbert N. Buck of Wilmington were elected to the office of Representative.

The following is a schedule of the names of all persons for whom votes for Representatives were cast in said District and the number of votes given for each person, viz.:

George F. Bean of Woburn	. . . . .	1683
Herbert N. Buck of Wilmington	. . . . .	1856
George L. Flint of Reading	. . . . .	1754
Joseph H. Parker, Jr., of Woburn	. . . . .	2042
Defective	. . . . .	9
Blanks	. . . . .	1230
Total	. . . . .	8114

In witness whereof we, the City Clerk of Woburn and the Town Clerks of Burlington, Reading, North Reading and Wilmington, hereunto set our hands this eighteenth day of November, A. D. 1910.

JOHN H. FINN, City Clerk, Woburn

HARRY H. NICHOLS, Town Clerk, Burlington

MILLARD F. CHARLES, Town Clerk, Reading

ARTHUR F. UPTON, Town Clerk, No. Reading

JAMES E. KELLEY, Town Clerk, Wilmington

Town Clerk's Office, Reading, Mass. Received and recorded, November 19, 1910.

Attest:

MILLARD F. CHARLES, Town Clerk.

DOGS LICENSED DURING YEAR 1910

Whole number of licenses issued	240	
37 female licenses issued at \$5.00 . . .	\$185 00	
303 male licenses issued at \$2.00 . . .	606 00	
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Total received	\$791 00	
Less fees for 340 licenses at 20 cents	68 00	
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Total due County Treasurer . . .		\$723 00
June 1, 1910, paid County Treasurer .	\$462 60	
December 1, 1910, paid County Treasurer	260 40	
Total paid County Treasurer . . .		\$723 00

HUNTERS' LICENCES ISSUED 1910

Whole number issued, 116 at \$1.00 .	\$116 00
Paid Treasurer of the Commonwealth and Fish and Game Commissioners	\$116 00

NOTICE TO PARENTS, HOUSEWIVES

PHYSICIANS AND MIDWIVES

Your Attention is Called to the Sections Below Taken from
the Revised Laws.—Blank Forms for Return of Births
Can be Obtained of the Town Clerk.

SECTION 3, CHAPTER 444, ACTS 1897

SECT. 3.—Physicians and midwives shall on or before the fifth day of each month report to the clerk of each city or town a correct list of all children born therein during the month next preceding, at whose birth they were present, stating the date and place of each birth, the name of the child, if it has any, the sex and color of the child, the name, place of birth and residence of the parents, the maiden name of the mother, and the occupation of the father. If the child is illegitimate the name of the father shall not be stated, unless at the joint request in writing of both father and mother, which request shall be filed with the returns of births. The fee of the physicians or midwife shall be twenty-five cents for each birth so reported, and shall be paid by the city or town in which the report is made, upon presentation of a certificate from the city or town clerk, stating that said births have been reported in conformity with the requirements of this section. Any physician or midwife neglecting to report such list for ten days after it is due shall for each offence forfeit a sum not exceeding twenty five dollars.

SECTION 6, CHAPTER 444, ACTS 1897

SECT. 6.—Parents and Householders shall within forty (40) days after the date of a birth occurring in his house give thereof or cause such notice to be given to the clerk of the city or town in which such child is born.

MILLARD F. CHARLES

Town Clerk.

Marriages, Births and Deaths

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF READING FOR THE YEAR 1910

DATE	SEX	NAME OF CHILD	NAME OF PARENTS
Jan. 1	F	Mary Josephine H. Jeffrey..	Percy L. and Amy R. (Saunders) Jeffrey
Jan. 2	F	Dorothy Mercer	James R. and Agnes B. (Hodson) Mercer
Jan. 9	F	Lillian Elizabeth Gallant....	Clifford and Agnes (Arsenault) Gallant
Jan. 13	F	Minnie Louise Black	Weldon C. and Mary A. (Carver) Black
Jan. 13	M	Robert Francis Dewey.....	Francis O. and Katherine J. (Skeffington) Dewey
Jan. 15	F	Edna May Kelso.....	Freeman and Margaret (Coyne) Kelso
Jan. 15	F	Doris Frances Wall	John T. and Della M. (Keane) Wall
Jan. 20	M	Gordon Tait	Joseph M. and Lottie M. (Stock) Tait
Jan. 20	F	Mildred Helen Muse.....	Henry and Elizabeth (Lefave) Muse
Jan. 21	F	Elizabeth Kinsley.....	Henry H. and Alice M. (Dennison) Kinsley
Jan. 22	F	Priscilla Crowhurst Buckle .	Thomas and Marie (Crowhurst) Buckle
Jan. 23	F	Ruth Jones Shaw	Joseph C. and Mary (Palmer) Shaw
Jan. 26	M	Ernest Sherman	S. Frank and Eva M. (Watts) Sherman
Jan. 27	M	Arthur Andrew Roberts, Jr.	Arthur A. and Elizabeth (Hastings) Roberts
Feb. 3	F	Janet McKenzie.....	Stewart and Genevra H. (Danforth) McKenzie
Feb. 6	M	John Edward Palmer	Harold V. and Harriet A. (Bradish) Palmer
Feb. 7	F	Sarah Laurette Porter	Lorie F. and Margaret (Conley) Porter
Feb. 7	M	George Stanley Burke	John H. and Mary E. (Weber) Burke
Feb. 8	M	Lawrence Hale Zwicker.....	Lavers D. and Cora M. (Hale) Zwicker
Feb. 11	F	Barbara Spillane.....	Timothy and Mary A. (Murray) Spillane
Feb. 13	F	Evelyn Janet Frazier.....	Loron D. and Lena M. (Logan) Frazier
Feb. 13	M	Robert Allan Cain.....	Converse Cole and Helen (Perry) Cain
Feb. 16	F	Annie White.....	Edward J. and Annie White
Feb. 19	M	William Henry Wilson, Jr..	William Henry and Ethel (Kimball) Wilson
Feb. 20	M	Joseph Herbert Doucette ..	Jeremiah and Marian E. (Frotten) Doucette
Feb. 24	F	Gertrude Green	Karl and Dora (Levy) Green
Feb. 27	M	Norman Smith Clarke.....	J. Robert N. and Ermina J. (Smith) Clarke
Mar. 1	M	Charles Newhall Sweetser ..	Percy N. and Mollie A. (Ives) Sweetser
Mar. 5	M	Frederick Lucius Parsons....	Frank W. and Cora E. (Bosworth) Parsons
Mar. 7	F	Miriam Leora Blood.....	Ernest A. and Leora F. (Steele) Blood
Mar. 7	M	Donald Copeland Carter	Percy N. and Blanche E. (Copeland) Carter
Mar. 9	M	Ernest Carl Conti.....	Frank and Ellen (Fiorani) Conti
Mar. 14	F	Florence Isabelle McCaughey	Joseph and Alice M. (Martin) McCaughey
Mar. 14	M	Harvey Phillips Poore.....	Luville J. and Annie L. (Phillips) Poore
Mar. 15	F	Helen Johnson Turner	Harry A. and Elsie J. (Johnson) Turner
Mar. 21	F	Virginia Nash.....	Albert Edward and Jennie F. (Temple) Nash
Mar. 23	F	Emma Marchetti.....	James and Mary (Bartolini) Marchetti
Apr. 6	F	Bernardetta Frances Turner	Adolph and Sadie (Melanson) Turner
Apr. 7	M	Donald Archer Holden	Archer H. and Alice E. (Wickens) Holden
Apr. 7	F	Irene Gertrude Haley	Timothy J. and Esther G. (Champagne) Haley
Apr. 11	M	Mark Edward Muse.....	Mark and Theresa Muse
Apr. 27	M	Stanley Fielding Maxwell...	James M. and Alice (Chadwick) Maxwell
Apr. 27	M	William Roswell Day.....	William R. and Elnora (Goodwin) Day
May 2	F	Helen Francis Muse	Joseph W. and Mary F. (Doucette) Muse
May 3	F	Louise Winslow Allen.....	Elwyn H. and Daisie B. (Waters) Allen
May 11	M	Louis Riseman	Jacob and Rosa (Levk) Riseman
May 17	F	Leonice Cook	Guy B. and Marian T. (Hopkinson) Cook
May 19	M	Thomas J. Green.....	Timothy and Delia (Higgins) Green
May 21	F	Alice Gertrude White.....	Thomas and Rose M. (Babine) White
June 2	M	James Herbert Tibbetts....	Herbert A. and Ethelyn J. (Bancroft) Tibbetts
June 3	F	Frances Elizabeth Hickey..	John and Fannie (Fewer) Hickey
June 12	F	Edna Louise Little.....	Frank P. and Lillian A. (Page) Little
June 16	M	John D. Estabrook	Arthur B. and Abbie W. (Dodge) Estabrook
June 21	F	Mabel Gladys Roxbee.....	Charles H. and Lydia (Jackson) Roxbee
June 23	F	Barbara Towle Nutter	Fred L. and Mabel L. (Bement) Nutter
June 23	M	William Michael Shannon	William and Margaret (Ferrick) Shannon
June 26	M	William Steven Wendell	Jacob and Lena (Wasilenska) Wendell

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July 10	M	Arthur Michael White	James and Maggie (Jaquard) White
July 11	M	Joseph Sylvester Doucette..	James A. and Mary (Hubbard) Doucette
July 19	M	William E. C. Maynard.....	W. H. and Edna G. (Higgins) Maynard
July 20	M	Clyde Alphonse Rollins... ..	Ernest E. and Ida M. (Pond) Rollins
July 25	M	Jesse Clifford Vanhon.....	Thomas G. and Sarah E. (Wakefield) Vanhon
July 25	M	George Edward Meaney.....	George E. and Hannah F. (Whelton) Meaney
July 29	M	Joseph Henry Meuse.....	Henry and Mary R. Meuse
Aug. 8	M	James Anthony Dulong	Peter R. and Rose (Frotten) Dulong
Aug. 10	M	Kenneth Albert Wilkinson..	David M. and Rachel A. (Wentworth) Wilkinson
Aug. 13	F	Elaine Tyler Ruggles.....	Walter G. and Juliette (Carter) Ruggles
Aug. 14	F	Lois Maud Cheney	Bernard E. and Beatrice M. (Hines) Cheney
Aug. 18	F	Dorothy Hurd.....	Ernest A. and Hattie E. (Gleason) Hurd
Aug. 19	F	Genevieve Caroline Doucette	Eli J. and Anna A. (Malmrose) Doucette
Aug. 23	F	Evelyn Riley	John E. and Mary E. (Guinan) Riley
Aug. 23	M	Eugene L. Bangs.....	Joseph and Kittie M. (Hanson) Bangs
Aug. 26	F	Thelma McClintock	Leonard S. and Winifred E. (Gleason) McClintock
Aug. 28	F	Esther Margaret Crosby	Samuel A. and Gladys (Pierce) Crosby
Aug. 29	F	Sara Gould Harnden.....	Elbridge E. and Mabel (Buckle) Harnden
Sept. 2	F	Dorothy Mary Babine	Louis C. and Mary (Muse) Babine
Sept. 5	F	Thelma I. Pippin.....	Frank R. and Mattie A. (Williams) Pippin
Sept. 12	F	Ruth Batchelder	Charles M. and Mabel (Mears) Batchelder
Sept. 16	M	Louis Maxim Richards	James M. and Daisy (Bouchie) Richards
Sept. 16	M	Lawson Jeanes.....	Charles L. and Lulu J. (Reid) Jeans
Sept. 18	F	Thelma Alice Sawyer	Leroy P. and Grace A. (Murphy) Sawyer
Sept. 22	M	Max Elmer Cail.....	Frederick W. and Mary E. (MacMichael) Cail
Sept. 24	F	Rita Mary Verrill	Frank Y. and Carrie M. (Ridlon) Verrill
Sept. 29	F	Ruth Eleanor Harris	Clarence D. and Henrietta (Henson) Harris
Sept. 30	F	Dora Robbins	Walter and Ada (Comeau) Robbins
Oct. 9	M	James Augustus Hoskins ...	Arthur H. and Catherine (Waters) Hoskins
Oct. 10	F	Ellen M. A. C. Wiberg	Sven H. and Florence E. (Truve) Wiberg
Oct. 12	M	William Henry Frost.....	John E. and Sarah A. (Parker) Frost
Oct. 14	F	Rita Mary Donohoe	Timothy P. and Annie T. (O'Brien) Donohoe
Oct. 14	F	Ruth Mary Donohoe.....	Timothy P. and Annie T. (O'Brien) Donohoe
Oct. 16	M	Warren Robert Gray	Robert G. and Bertha Lillian (Parker) Gray
Oct. 23	F	Louise Porch	Harry G. and Kitty D. (Dees) Porch
Oct. 26	M	Leo Thomas Grady.....	James P. and Margaret J. (Keeley) Grady
Oct. 26	F	Florence Mae Davis.....	Charles and Florence I. (Marshall) Davis
Oct. 27	M	George Isadore Prail	Max and Sarah (Pitkowski) Prail
Oct. 29	M	Donald Bragdon Sias.....	Arthur G. and Annie M. (Bragdon) Sias
Nov. 1	M	Harry Ambrose Copeland..	Nelson A. and Emma (Landgren) Copeland
Nov. 3	F	Ila Helen Grosser.....	Frederick H. and Martha C. (Wetherbee) Grosser
Nov. 6	M	Raymond E. Bemis.....	Eugene M. and Ella M. (Booker) Bemis
Nov. 8	F	Margaret Mason Lindsay ...	Alexander and Grace A. (Durgin) Lindsay
Nov. 10	M	Kenneth Oliver Morrison...	William H. and Ethel M. (Alger) Morrison
Nov. 14	F	Jennie Eunice Meuse.....	James H. and Jennie H. Meuse
Nov. 16	F	Esther Frances Bangs.....	Carroll L. and Charlotte F. (Robertson) Bangs
Nov. 17	F	Ruth Field	Edwin F. and Nellie C. (Jones) Field
Nov. 21	M	Arnold Cambon Pierpont....	William and Kathryn (Hercion) Pierpont
Nov. 21	M	William McBeth Pierce	R. W. and Gertrude (Cushman) Pierce
Nov. 21	F	Agnes Desmond.....	Daniel and Nora (Driscoll) Desmond
Nov. 21	F	Christina Hopkins.....	Walter S. and Emma I. (Coburn) Hopkins
Nov. 22	F	Louise Cecilia Muse	Dennis and Rose O. (Doucette) Muse
Nov. 27	F	Katherine Frances Doherty ..	Joseph B. and Katherine (Cullinane) Doherty
Nov. 30	M	James Lavelle.....	William and Agnes (Sheedy) Lavelle

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Dec. 2	M	Philip B. Parker	Maurice W. and Rosalie (Bessom) Parker
Dec. 6	M	Paul Allen Doucette.....	John H. and Laura (White) Doucette
Dec. 7	M	James Edward Fleming.....	James H. and Mary A. (Driscoll) Fleming
Dec. 14	F	Phyllis Marion Gray.	Frank E. and Catherine R. (Alger) Gray
Dec. 16	F	Marjorie Ellis Berry.....	Henry and Marion (Copeland) Berry
Dec. 19	F	Alice Victoria Hodson.....	Alexander W. and Delia (Converse) Hodson
Dec. 19	M	John Edward Sias.....	James W. and Jane M. (Sinton) Sias
Dec. 29	F	Grace Alice Goodwin	Alfred E. and Mary C. (Randall) Goodwin

NOT REGISTERED IN OTHER YEARS

1909			
May 3	M	Robert Parks Goodale.....	William F. and Gladys N. (Parks) Goodale
Dec. 29	F	Frances Eleanor Hubbard...	Arthur S. and Delia E. (Eaton) Hubbard
1907			
July 29	M	David J. Whelton	David and Mary (Callan) Whelton
Sept. 17	F	Clarissa Allen Patten	Joseph F. and Isabel M. (Wetherell) Patten
1905			
Nov. 28	M	Samuel Williams	William D. and Ella C. (Rodgers) Williams
1903			
July 4	F	Irva Williams	William D. and Ella C. (Rodgers) Williams
1902			
April 1	F	Caroline Williams	William D. and Ella C. (Rodgers) Williams
1883			
Mar. 28	M	George A. Marshall	John A. and Annie G. (Earle) Marshall
1835			
July 13	M	Nathaniel Fogg Hammond..	John F. and Eliza (Parker) Hammond
1838			
June 27	F	Abbie Susan Hammond	John F. and Eliza (Parker) Hammond

Whole number of births 127; Males 54, Females 73. Nativity of Parents: Fathers born in United States, 76; Mothers born in United States, 74. Fathers foreign born, 51; Mothers foreign born, 52

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DATE	NAME OF BRIDE AND GROOM	AGE	OCCUPATION	BIRTHPLACE
1909				
Dec. 31	William Homer Morrison	24	R. R. Clerk.....	Bass River, N. S.
	Ethel May Alger.....	23	At Home.....	Springfield, Mass.
1910				
Jan. 10	Henry White.....	22	Millhand	Belleville, N. S.
	Mary Elizabeth Doucette.....	23	Millhand	Woburn, Mass.
Jan. 23	Albert E. Merrill.....	22	Cabinet Maker...	Reading, Mass.
	Mary Ainsworth.....	17	At Home.....	Melrose, Mass.
Jan. 27	Charles Fred Myers, Jr.	21	Lunch	Reading, Mass.
	Agnes McMath	22	Housework	Ireland.
Jan. 28	Charles N. Bruorton	23	Salesman	Somerville, Mass.
	Ruby Melissa Butler.....	19	Stenographer ..	Wakefield, Mass.
Jan. 29	Joseph Ainsworth	37	Leather Worker..	Lancashire, Eng.
	Blanche Corine Stover.....	25	Dressmaker	Lancaster, Eng.
Feb. 7	Charles I. Alger.....	29	Foreman	Newton, Mass.
	Lulu May Austin	26	Stenographer ..	Reading, Mass.
Feb. 11	Guy Holt.....	22	Conductor	Wilmington, Mass.
	Gladys M. Lucas.....	18	At Home.....	Dover, N. H.
Mar. 14	Charles N. S. Rich ..	24	Furniture S'lesm'n	Reading, Mass.
	Geneva P. Forbes	26	At Home.....	Brooks, Me.
Mar. 29	Leonard G. Buckle.....	27	Shoe Salesman...	Port Hope, Ontario, Can.
	Helen R. Flett.....	24	At Home.....	Dorchester, Mass.
Mar. 30	Charles D. Smith.....	23	Teamster	Newmarket, N. H.
	Edith E. Coons.....	38	Shoe Shop.....	Galesburg, Ill.
Apr. 17	Patrick Joseph Healy.....	25	Rubber Worker...	Ireland.
	Katherine Buckley.....	30	At Home.....	Ireland.
Apr. 22	Charles E. Hilt.....	24	Driver	Lawrencetown, N. S.
	Jennie E. Logan.....	18	At Home.....	Reading, Mass.
Apr. 24	Henry L. LeFave.....	35	Mason	Yarmouth, N. S.
	Annie B. Surette LeFave.....	38	At Home.....	Yarmouth, N. S.
Apr. 27	Michael J. Connelly.....	31	R. R. Signal Man.	Lawrence, Mass.
	Mary A. Murphy.....	29	Domestic	Ireland.
Apr. 27	La Arno W. Bogle.....	29	Waiter	St. John, N. B.
	Sadie M. Stewart.....	33	At Home.....	Moncton, N. B.
Apr. 28	Harold F. Parker.....	29	Merchant.....	Reading, Mass.
	Bertha G. Buckle.....	25	At Home.....	Port Hope, Ontario, Can.
May 1	Charles F. Winship.....	21	Superintendent ..	Cambridge, Mass.
	Ruth Thomas.....	22	At Home.....	Curtis, Nebraska
May 18	William H. Coash.....	24	R. R. Man.....	Warren, Mass.
	Florence Bourassa.....	25	Clerk	Montreal, Canada
May 21	Harold R. Jones.....	28	Teamster	Sanford, Me.
	Eliza J. Bennett.....	29	Housework	Ireland.
June 5	Francis A. Carter.....	22	Mechanic	Bathurst, N. B.
	Sarah A. Griffiths.....	22	Stenographer....	Marblehead, Mass.
June 5	Elijah Blinn	21	Cabinet Maker...	Nova Scotia
	Mary Comeau.....	20	Housework	Mitteague, N. S.
June 8	Raymond D. Thrall.....	29	Clerk	Manchester, Conn.
	Helen L. Robinson.....	28	Stenographer....	Pierce City, Mo.
June 8	George H. Gage	30	Coal Dealer	Lawrence, Mass.
	Mildred A. Atkinson.....	22	At Home.....	Reading, Mass.
June 15	Leroy T. Kinsley.....	31	Farmer.....	Lowell, Vt.
	Lucy B. Stewart.....	26	At Home.....	Moncton, N. B.
June 15	Percy M. Smith.....	26	Clerk	Reading, Mass.
	Florence M. Almeder.....	26	Clerk	Chelsea, Mass.
June 18	Charles H. Heselton.....	24	Shoe Worker	Reading, Mass.
	Minnie A. Porter.....	26	At Home.....	Lewiston, Me.
June 20	Milton J. Hatfield.....	22	Conductor	Reynardton, N. S.
	Florence I. Coulter.....	19	Mill Hand.....	Bear River, N. S.

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June 20	Wilbur F. Turner, Jr.	23	Clerk	Exeter, N. H.
	Winnie I. Mansfield.	23	At Home.....	Reading, Mass.
June 22	Herbert F. Damon.....	33	Shipper.....	Reading, Mass.
	Jennie M. Hannafor.....	21	Cutter.....	Reading, Mass.
June 24	J. Russell Orear.....	22	Actor.....	Mt. Sterling, Ky.
	May Barron.....	20	At Home.....	Derry, N. H.
June 24	William F. Turner.....	23	Teacher	Newington, N. H.
	Cora E. Brigham.....	24	At Home.....	Marlboro, Mass.
July 6	Charles I. Fairbanks.....	20	Clerk	Reading, Mass.
	Bess Baldwin.....	21	At Home.....	Elmira, N. Y.
July 19	Sumner H. Remick.....	23	Medical Student...	Tamworth, N. H.
	Mabel A. Taylor.....	22	Nurse	Underhill, Vt.
Aug. 5	Rolland L. Perry.....	25	Farmer	Everett, Mass.
	Lottie F. Abbott.....	21	At Home.....	Wakefield, Mass.
Aug. 11	Arthur Walker Wood.....	40	Wool Sorter.....	Andover, Mass.
	Elizabeth J. Manuel.....	23	Housekeeper	Catalina, Newfoundland
Aug. 23	Walter Thomas Locke.....	29	Painter	Halifax, N. S.
	Elizabeth White.....	28	At Home.....	Reading, Mass.
Sept. 4	Claude D. Sargent.....	40	Designer	Washington, N. H.
	Bertha A. Walker.....	29	Sales Lady.....	Somerville, Mass.
Sept. 15	Albert F. Malonson.....	21	Rattan Worker.....	Wakefield, Mass.
	Ethel F. MacDonald.....	19	Necktie Operator...	Wilmington, Mass.
Sept. 22	Arthur F. Goodridge.....	22	Rubber Worker...	Reading, Mass.
	Grace E. Stearns.....	25	Mill Worker.....	Somerville, Mass.
Oct. 1	August H. Chalman.....	27	Finisher	Malltop, Sweden
	Helma A. Johnson.....	28	Domestic	Sweden.
Oct. 1	Fred A. Marr	25	Mill Worker.....	Chelsea, Mass.
	Elise H. Ryan.....	21	At Home.....	Augusta, Me.
Oct. 4	Harry E. Smith.....	25	Clerk	Reading, Mass.
	Helen E. Ruggles.....	23	Stenographer.....	Reading, Mass.
Oct. 5	Rodney W. Brown.....	26	Brokerage	Reading, Mass.
	Mabel A. Hayes.....	23	Teacher	Auburn, Me.
Oct. 6	Louis M. Briand.....	30	Window Decorator	Halifax, N. S.
	Annie A. Long.....	22	Artist	Cambridge, Mass.
Oct. 12	Robert M. Folsom.....	26	Gas Engineer.....	Boston, Mass.
	Hattie F. Skillen.....	25	Teacher	North Reading, Mass.
Oct. 15	Ralph R. Kent.....	31	Lands'pe Architect	Newton, Mass.
	Mary E. Foley.....	25	At Home.....	St. Johns, Newfoundl'd
Oct. 16	Herbert L. Hill.....	35	Leather Salesman...	Scarboro, Me.
	Frances C. Leuchtmann.....	24	Clerk	Wakefield, Mass.
Oct. 22	William F. Cushman.....	61	Manufacturer.....	Tunbridge, Vt.
	Ella R. Wylie.....	56	Physician	Duxbury, Vt.
Oct. 26	William G. Jeffrey.....	22	Designer	Reading, Mass.
	Bessie Hillman.....	27	Housework	Newton, N. B.
Oct. 26	Walter R. Zappy.....	32	Naturalist.....	Boston, Mass.
	Nellie L. Krook.....	31	At Home.....	Reading, Mass.
Oct. 30	Harrison M. Ephlin.....	22	Upholsterer.....	So. Framingham, Mass.
	Frances C. Hughes	23	Shoe Worker.....	Manchester, England
Oct. 30	Harry E. Mersereau.....	26	Teamster	Blissville, N. B.
	Louisa E. White.....	21	At Home.....	Reading, Mass.
Nov. 2	Harold N. Boyle.....	31	Dentist	Oceola, Iowa.
	Mildred Parker.....	21	At Home.....	Wakefield, Mass.
Nov. 6	Walter P. Gleason.....	50	Optician.....	Reading, Mass.
	Pearl E. Berry.....	20	Milliner.....	Yarmouthville, Me.
Nov. 10	Donald M. Houghton.....	24	Clerk	Concord, Mass.
	J. Gertrude Francis.....	26	At Home.....	Reading, Mass.
Nov. 11	Clarence A. Gould.....	25	Undertaker.....	Lowell, Mass.
	Grace E. Hall.....	21	Clerk	Wakefield, Mass.
Nov. 20	Michael J. Young.....	27	Expressman.....	Newfoundland
	Eva Meuse.....	21	Millhand	Yarmouth, N. S.

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Nov. 23	Willis H. Maddock.....	24	Carpenter	Belfast, Me.
	Goldie Sherman	19	Domestic	Providence, R. I.
Nov. 25	Philip Prail.....	22	Tailor	Russia.
	Freda Freedman.....	20	Necktie Worker...	Cambridge, Mass.
Nov. 29	Ralph W. Mahr.....	23	Laborer	Watertown, Mass.
	Eleanor B. Corey....	21	At Home.....	Lynn, Mass.
Nov. 30	Clyde Webster MacCormack.....	32	Civil Engineer...	Oneida, Illinois.
	Mabel Howes Robinson.....	33	At Home.....	Reading, Mass.
Dec. 5	William Chase Davis.....	39	Engineer	Appleton, Maine.
	Frances M. Downes Forbes.....	42	At Home.....	Boston, Mass.
Dec. 13	Winfred Townsend.....	22	Grocer	Saugus, Mass.
	Lena Alice Lanctot....	20	Tailoress	Meriden, Conn.
Dec. 14	Charles Alfred Taylor.....	23	Motorman	Woburn, Mass.
	Anna Charlotte Anderson.....	27	Housework	Chirping, Sweden
Dec. 15	Arthur William Coolidge	29	Lawyer.....	Woodfords, Maine.
	Mabel Francis Tilton.....	24	At Home.....	Chelsea, Mass.
Dec. 25	Charles N. Van Houten.	24	Bank Clerk.....	Richmond, Va.
	Hessie O. Bosworth.....	30	Teacher	Moers, N. Y.
Dec. 28	Orvis W. Grover.....	26	Merchant	Colebrook, N. H.
	Alma H. Eaton.....	20	Teacher	Reading, Mass.
Dec. 28	Frank J. Landry.....	23	Mill Second Hand.	Cape Breton Isle.
	Margaret E. Wall.....	21	At Home	Reading, Mass.
Dec. 31	Warren Lewis Fletcher.....	35	Superintendent ...	West Boylston, Mass.
	Fannie Josephine Ide	24	Stenographer	Calais, Vt.

Number of marriages, 70. Foreign born, Males 17; Females 19. Native born, Males 53; Females 51.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF READING FOR THE YEAR 1910

DATE	NAME	Y	M	D	DISEASE OR CAUSE OF DEATH
Jan. 2	Charles S. Gould	31	7	20	Hypertrophy of the Heart
Jan. 5	Carrie M. Hubbard	34	7	21	Hypertrophic Cirrhosis of Liver
Jan. 7	Eusebe Lampro	84	7	13	Myocarditis
Jan. 7	Martha J. Skinner	79	9	18	Cardiac Asthma
Jan. 10	Alfred Perkins	74	0	5	Sentility
Jan. 11	Nancy J. Brown	83	8	22	Sentility
Jan. 13	Julia Sanborn	67	0	4	Carcinoma of the Breast
Jan. 14	John H. Knights	61	5	0	Pneumonia
Jan. 15	Henry Damon	77	4	6	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Jan. 20	Allie B. Whitcomb	71	2	16	Valvular Disease of the Heart
Jan. 22	Jessie Monroe		4	0	Pneumonia
Jan. 28	Richard Lowell Burrage	1	4	24	Broncho-Pneumonia
Jan. 30	Sarah J. Manning	86	0	25	Mitral Disease of the Heart
Jan. 31	Lorraine E. Gear	49	9	13	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Feb. 2	Elzira A. Crockett	52	10	5	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Feb. 3	Angie M. Fields	27	0	0	Pneumonia
Feb. 4	Mary Burke	70	0	0	Myocarditis
Feb. 5	Gordon Tait	0	0	16	Spinal Meningitis
Feb. 5	Emeline P. Sherman	73	10		Cerebral Hemorrhage
Feb. 7	Warren Parker	79	1	20	Heart Failure
Feb. 13	Mary F. Doran	50	0	0	Lobar Pneumonia
Feb. 17	Nancy J. Sleeper	85	3	0	Gastritis
Feb. 21	Franklin Nash	67	0	4	Prostatitis Uremia
Feb. 23	Lafayette Ford	82	7	20	Old Age
Feb. 26	Emma J. Norris	36	0	0	Nephritis
Mar. 2	Marguerite M. Stevens	72	11	20	Valvular Disease of Heart
Mar. 6	Charles Brown	81	7	0	Bronchitis
Mar. 6	Elizabeth A. Abbott	73	9	10	Disseminated Sclerosis
Mar. 9	Richard Bennett	61	8	24	Cardiac Pneumonia
Mar. 9	James M. Gillispie	0	10	0	Shock of Opr.
Mar. 11	Frank M. Smith	61	8	14	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Mar. 13	Anna Spinalla	3	4	18	Accidental Burns
Mar. 14	George W. Goodridge	72	5	8	Valvular Disease of Heart
Mar. 16	Albert D. Morse	70	8	6	Tubercular Perinephritis
Mar. 19	Mary E. Broad	68	11	4	Disease of Heart
Apr. 13	Margaret L. Avery	45	6	26	Pneumonia
Apr. 14	Katherine L. Hanna	61	9	6	Abdominal Carcinoma
Apr. 15	Emma L. Knights	38	7	9	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Apr. 27	Edward F. Barstow	22	2	20	Landrys Paralysis
May 8	Charles G. Rogers	74	7	11	Cardiac Dropsy
May 9	Otis A. Ruggles	60	0	0	Arterio-Sclerosis
May 12	Sarah R. Griffiths	74	4	27	General Paresis
May 16	Harry A. Whitten	28	10	24	Chronic Nephritis
May 22	Samuel T. Sweetser	75	4	15	Paresis
May 29	William H. Wightman	71	3	4	Endocarditis
May 30	Howard A. Skinner	6	1	0	Scarlet Fever
May 30	Mary R. Newell	57	10	18	Pneumonia
May 31	Alfred G. Nichols	85	1	21	Cancer of the Rectum
June 4	Ellen Lough	58	11	21	Lobar Pneumonia
June 6	Sarah A. Roots	70	1	25	Cerebral Hemorrhage
June 7	Vida M. Williams	0	8	18	Convulsions
June 7	Mary J. Bailey	79	4	0	Cancer Right Breast
June 12	Octavus N. Willis	71	10	5	Cerebral Hemorrhage
June 14	Marie J. Lampro	86	3	14	Cerebral Hemorrhage
June 15	Margaret C. Scott	80	4	30	Myocarditis
June 16	Simon B. Doucette	89	4	4	Valvular Disease of Heart
June 25	Eliza D. Smith	68	0	17	Sarcoma of the Brain
June 29	Charles Partelow	88	3	5	Valvular Disease of Heart
June 29	Grace E. Copeland	32	5	16	Endocarditis

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF READING FOR THE YEAR 1910

DATE	NAME	Y	M	D	DISEASE OR CAUSE OF DEATH
July 2	Eleanor M. Kinsman	17	6	24	Accidental Drowning
July 4	Lucy D. Meader	78	10	25	Chronic Valvular Disease of Heart
July 7	Mary F. Bowser	68	10	6	Chronic Nephritis
July 8	Betsy S. Boyce	78	0	0	Phthisis
July 10	Caroline A. Bemis	87	7	28	Valvular Disease of Heart
July 13	Bessie R. Dill	12	6	3	Purpura Thromorrhagica
July 15	Arthur E. Dickinson	12	9	2	Neuritis
July 19	Alice J. Gordon	50	6	0	Cerebral Hemorrhage
July 20	Carrie F. Vermille	78	3	28	Arterio-Sclerosis
July 23	Charles Shervanian	34	5	0	Bronchial Pneumonia
July 27	Charles Torrey	63	4	12	Cerebral Hemorrhage
July 28	Lydia C. Hinckley	79	4	9	Broken Neck
Aug. 2	Joseph Ainsworth	37	5	29	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Aug. 7	Leon A. White	0	8	5	Gastro-Enteritis
Aug. 7	Edwin C. Farwell	69	8	21	Pernicious Anaemia
Aug. 7	George F. Gilman	76	2	6	Abdominal Carcinoma
Aug. 15	Jennie H. Gould	64	4	9	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Aug. 16	Henry Bodge	54	9	12	Catarrhal Bronchitis
Aug. 20	George Edward Kershaw	75	10	0	Valvular Disease of Heart
Aug. 21	Alfred D. Chandler	72	5	4	Arterio-Sclerosis
Aug. 22	George J. Mansfield	78	10	0	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Aug. 23	Mary E. Carlisle	81	0	25	Acute Diarrhoea
Aug. 24	John J. O'Brien	45	0	0	Empyema
Sept. 3	Arthur Dalzell	0	2	15	Cholera Infantum
Sept. 8	John Leahy	0	3	20	Enterocolitis
Sept. 12	Elwood C. W. Jones	0	3	15	Gastro-Enteritis
Sept. 17	Jeremiah Shannon	73	0	0	Myocarditis
Sept. 18	John B. Hale	51	2	0	Oedema of the Brain
Sept. 19	Thelma I. Pippin	0	0	14	Enteritis
Sept. 21	Thomas Cadwallader	71	3	29	Uraemia
Sept. 22	Benjamin P. Boyce	43	9	2	Pulmonary Tuberculosis
Sept. 23	John H. Adden	74	0	8	Acute Endocarditis
Sept. 26	Annis A. Nichols	67	3	24	Dilatation of Heart
Sept. 26	Francis J. Sheehan	2	5	14	Diphtheria
Sept. 28	Joseph W. McFadden	1	7	28	Bronchial Pneumonia
Oct. 1	Julia A. Scott	72	5	26	Valvular Disease of Heart
Oct. 3	Charles W. Davis	35	2	29	Sarcoma of Neck
Oct. 9	Robert C. Totten	73	4	29	Carcinoma of Stomach
Oct. 14	Martha A. Carter	71	7	22	Peritonitis of Bowels
Oct. 14	Evelyn Worthen	57	10	0	Bronchial Pneumonia
Oct. 20	Ruth E. Harris	0	0	21	Malformation of Heart
Oct. 26	Elizabeth Meadows	87	8	0	Myocarditis
Oct. 27	Frank W. Danforth	64	1	29	Apoplexy
Oct. 28	Burnadetta F. Turner	0	6	22	Malnutrition
Oct. 28	Henrietta L. Abbott	45	0	27	Intestinal Nephritis
Nov. 1	Nellie F. Nichols	50	7	13	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Nov. 11	Mary Ellen LaMarsh	57	0	0	Aortic Insufficiency
Nov. 16	John D. Estabrook	0	5	3	Chronic Intestinal Indigestion
Nov. 19	Mary Jane Bosson	82	11	22	Arterio-Sclerosis
Nov. 22	Rita M. Verrill	0	1	29	Cholera Infantum
Nov. 22	Ella A. McDonald	39	11	7	Pernicious Anaemia
Nov. 22	Gould G. Ruggles	74	5	16	Cerebral Embolism
Nov. 25	Octavus J. Dane	50	0	0	Lobar Pneumonia
Nov. 27	John B. Lewis, Sr.	98	9	27	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Nov. 30	Henry P. Closson	68	11	27	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Nov. 31	Josephine H. Dewey	61	10	17	Angina Pectoris

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF READING FOR THE YEAR 1910

DATE	NAME	Y	M	D	DISEASE OR CAUSE OF DEATH
Dec. 2	Alice Gadbois	65	0	0	Intestinal Obstruction
Dec. 6	William W. Davis	48	7	6	Pneumonia
Dec. 7	Emily L. Brackett	65	5	20	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Dec. 9	Jesse C. Vanhon	0	4	14	Acute Meningitis
Dec. 12	Julia A. Squires	41	2	0	Pneumonia
Dec. 20	Clarence E. Merrill	58	7	10	Pulmonary Tuberculosis
Dec. 21	Timothy Spillane	49	4	1	Pneumonia

Whole number of deaths, 129. Males 61; Females 68. Foreign born, Males 12; Females 13. Native born, Males 49; Females 55.

Report of Clerk of Selectmen

Annual Report

OF THE

TOWN OF READING

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE,
Reading, Jan. 1, 1911.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The undersigned herewith presents the annual statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Town of Reading for the financial year ending Dec. 31, 1910, together with such other information relating to the fiscal interests of the Town as may be of general interest.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. SHELDON,
Clerk of Selectmen.

APPROPRIATIONS

Appropriations voted at the March annual town meeting in 1910 and special meeting June 21, 1910. (Classified according to the requirements of the Commonwealth.)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Salary of Town Officers . . .	\$3,650 00	
Salary of Clerk of Selectmen . .	500 00	
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PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY

Police Department . . .	\$3,800 00	
Fire Department . . .	6,000 00	
Fire Alarm Box No. 231 . . .	150 00	
Fire Alarm Box, Oak and Prospect Streets . . .	75 00	
Pump, Hose 4 . . .	65 00	
Painting Hose Houses . . .	75 00	
Storage Battery . . .	150 00	
Forest Warden . . .	250 00	
Tree Warden . . .	500 00	
Moth Department . . .	2,182 00	
Rental of Hydrants . . .	5,370 00	
	<hr/>	\$18,617 00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health . . .	\$600 00	
Smallpox . . .	700 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,300 00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Highways, Bridges and Sidewalks .	\$3,000 00	
Vine St. and Highland Ave. . .	300 00	
Street Watering \$500, Water \$500 .	1,000 00	
Salem St. . .	1,000 00	
Rent of Drinking Fountain . .	300 00	
Street Lighting . . .	10,000 00	
Street Lights, Summer Ave. and Willow St. . .	160 00	
Street Lights, Franklin St. . .	110 00	
	<hr/>	\$15,870 00

CHARITY

Poor Department	\$3,300 00
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SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Soldiers' Relief	\$1,000 00
State and Military Aid	2,500 00
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	\$3,500 00

EDUCATION

School Department	\$30,000 00
School Incidentals	5,000 00
School Insurance	1,000 00
Lowell St. School Building	2,500 00
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	\$38,500 00

LIBRARY

Public Library	\$1,000 00
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RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS

Rent of Playground	\$342 00
Memorial Day	175 00
Band Concerts	200 00
Care and Improvement of Common	125 00
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	\$842 00

CEMETERY

Laurel Hill	\$1,250 00
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UNCLASSIFIED

Abatements	\$800 00
Election Expenses	300 00
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,100 00
Printing	750 00
Re-valuation of Town	1,000 00
Town Building	500 00
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	\$4,450 00

INTEREST

Interest on School House Bonds and Notes	\$3,390 00
Interest General Account	2,000 00
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	\$5,390 00

INDEBTEDNESS

Maturing in 1910	\$23,500 00	
Less amt. paid by Water Dept. \$2,000		
Less amt. paid by Mun. Light 4,000		
Less amt. from Available Assets 4,000		
Less amt. Road Roller Notes 400		
Less amt. Cemetery Notes 100		
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	10,500 00	\$13,000 00
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Total for Town purposes		\$111,169 00
Less Estimated Receipts:		
Corporation Tax	\$4,924 00	
State Aid	2,500 00	
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		\$7,424 00
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Amount raised for Town purposes		\$103,745 00
Amount State Tax		8,085 00
Amount Highway Tax		187 00
Amount Wellington Bridge Tax		453 70
Amount County Tax		5,607 21
Amount Overlays or Abatements		1,519 16
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Total to Collector for Collection		\$119,597 07

TOWN DEBT, DECEMBER 31, 1910

DUE IN 1911		NOTES AND BONDS OUTSTANDING	
Apr. 28	\$100	Cemetery Land Loan	\$300 00
June 1	7,000	Water Loan, 4%	196,000 00
Aug. 1	3,000	Highland School House 4%	15,000 00
Sept. 11	1,500	Lowell Street School Bdg., 4%	6,500 00
Oct. 1	3,000	Mun. Light Loan, 4 & 4 1-2% }	66,300 00
Nov. 15	1,000	Mun. Light Loan, 4 & 4 1-2% }	
Nov. 1	4,000	High School Bdg., 3 1-2 & 4% }	67,000 00
Dec. 21	1,000	High School Bdg., 3 1-2 & 4% }	
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\$21,100	Total Town Debt		\$351,100 00

SUMMARY OF TOWN DEBT

1909	1910	Increase
\$340,300 00	\$351,100 00	\$10,800 00

The total indebtedness of the Town
 January 1, 1910, was: . . . \$340,300 00
 This has been increased during the
 year as follows:

NOTES

Municipal Light Plant—

Extension of Line to Pumping Station	\$1,800 00	
Extension of Line to No. Reading Water Bonds	12,000 00	
	14,000 00	
Lowell St. School-house Building	6,500 00	34,300 00
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		374,600 00

There has been a decrease by the
 payment of the following Bonds
 and Notes:

Cemetery Note	\$100 00	
Municipal Light Notes and Bonds	4,000 00	
Road Roller Note	400 00	
School Notes	12,000 00	
Water Bonds	7,000 00	23,500 00
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Total indebtedness Dec. 31, 1910		\$351,100 00

The following is a statement of the total debt of the
 Town with the rate of interest thereon:

CEMETERY LAND LOAN

DATE OF INT.	WHEN DUE	AMT.	TOTAL
None	1911	\$100	
"	1912	100	
"	1913	100	\$300 00

MUNICIPAL LIGHT LOANS

RATE OF INT.		WHEN DUE	AMT.	TOTAL
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1911	\$4,500	
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1912	3,000	
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1913	4,800	
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1914	4,000	
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1915	4,000	
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1916	4,000	
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1917	4,000	
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1918	4,000	
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1919	4,000	
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1920	4,000	
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1921	4,000	
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1922	4,000	
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1923	4,000	
4 %	and 4 1-2 %	1924	4,000	
4 1-2 %		1925	2,000	
4 1-2 %		1926	1,000	
4 1-2 %		1927	1,000	
4 1-2 %		1928	1,000	
4 1-2 %		1929	1,000	
4 1-2 %		1930	1,000	
4 1-2 %		1931	1,000	
4 1-2 %		1932	1,000	
4 1-2 %		1933	1,000	\$66,300 00

HIGHLAND SCHOOL HOUSE

RATE OF INT.		WHEN DUE	AMT.	TOTAL
4 %		1911	\$3,000	
4 %		1912	3,000	
4 %		1913	3,000	
4 %		1914	3,000	
4 %		1915	3,000	\$15,000 00

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING

RATE OF INT.	WHEN DUE	AMOUNT	TOTAL
3 1-2% and 4%	1911	5,000	
3 1-2% and 4%	1912	5,000	
3 1-2% and 4%	1913	5,000	
3 1-2% and 4%	1914	5,000	
3 1-2% and 4%	1915	5,000	
3 1-2% and 4%	1916	5,000	
3 1-2% and 4%	1917	5,000	
3 1-2%	1918	4,000	
3 1-2%	1919	4,000	
3 1-2%	1920	4,000	
3 1-2%	1921	4,000	
3 1-2%	1922	4,000	
3 1-2%	1923	4,000	
3 1-2%	1924	4,000	
3 1-2%	1925	4,000	\$67,000 00

LOWELL STREET SCHOOL BUILDING

RATE OF INT.	WHEN DUE	AMOUNT	TOTAL
4%	1911	1,500	
4%	1912	1,000	
4%	1913	1,000	
4%	1914	1,000	
4%	1915	1,000	
4%	1916	1,000	\$6,500 00

WATER LOANS

RATE OF INT.	WHEN DUE	AMOUNT	TOTAL
4%	1911	7,000	
4%	1912	17,000	
3 1-4%	1913	8,000	
4%	1914	8,000	
4%	1915	8,000	
4%	1916	13,000	
4%	1917	13,000	
4%	1918	13,000	
4%	1919	13,000	
4%	1920	13,000	
4%	1921	13,000	
4%	1922	13,000	
4%	1923	11,000	
4%	1924	11,000	
4%	1925	10,000	
4%	1926	5,000	
4%	1927	5,000	
4%	1928	5,000	
4%	1929	5,000	
4%	1930	5,000	\$196,100 00

Total Town debt, Dec. 31, 1910 \$351,000 00

IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES, TEMPORARY LOANS

Balance from 1909		\$55,000 00
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BORROWED

F. S. Mosley & Co., 3.45%		
Due Sept. 15, 1910	\$10,000 00	
F. S. Mosley & Co., 3.45%		
Due Oct. 6, 1910	10,000 00	
F. S. Mosley & Co., 3.44%		
Due Oct. 12, 1910	10,000 00	
F. S. Mosley & Co., 3.45%		
Due Oct. 18, 1910	10,000 00	
F. S. Mosley & Co., 3.92%		
Due Nov. 15, 1910	10,000 00	
F. S. Mosley & Co., 4.12%		
Due Apr. 11, 1911	30,000 00	
Bond & Goodwin, 4.32%		
Due June 11, 1911	20,000 00	
F. S. Mosley & Co., 3 1-2%		
Due May 15, 1911	5,000 00	\$105,000 00
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		\$160,000 00

EXPENDED

Elliott Nat'l Bank, 3.22%		
Due Mar. 17, 1910	\$20,000 00	
Elliott Nat'l Bank, 4%		
Due Mar. 11, 1910	5,000 00	
Commonwealth of Mass., 4 1-2%		
Due Apr. 16, 1910	5,000 00	
Commonwealth of Mass., 4 1-2%		
Due May 16, 1910	5,000 00	
Loring, Tolman & Tucker, 3.38%		
Due June 4, 1910	20,000 00	
F. S. Mosley & Co., 3.45%		
Due Sept. 15, 1910	10,000 00	

F. S. Mosley & Co., 3.45%			
Due Oct. 6, 1910	10,000 00		
F. S. Mosley & Co., 3.45%			
Due Oct. 12, 1910	10,000 00		
F. S. Mosley & Co., 3.45%			
Due Oct. 18, 1910	10,000 00		
F. S. Mosley & Co., 3.92%			
Due Nov. 15, 1910	10,000 00	\$105,000 00	
Balance unpaid			\$55,000 00

NOTES OUTSTANDING

F. S. Mosley & Co., 3 1-2%			
Due May 15, 1911	\$5,000 00		
F. S. Mosley & Co., 4.12%			
Due Apr. 11, 1911	30,000 00		
Bond & Goodwin, 4.32%			
Due June 11, 1911	20,000 00		
Total		\$55,000 00	

FINANCES

The assessed valuation of the Town April
1, 1910, was:

Real Estate	\$4,878,580 00
Personal Estate	1,018,429 00
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Total assessed valuation	<u>\$5,897,009 00</u>

Assessed at \$19.70 per \$1,000 gives	\$116,171 07
1713 Polls at \$2.00 gives	3,426 00
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	<u>\$119,597 07</u>

This tax is divided as follows:

For Town purposes \$111,169 00

Less Estimated Receipts:

Corporation Tax \$4,924

State Aid 2,500 7,424 00

\$103,745 00

County Tax 5,607 21

State Taxes 8,085 00

Highways 187 00

Wellington Bridge 453 70

Overlay or Abatement of Taxes 1,519 16

\$119,597 07

TOWN OF READING RECEIPTS

TREASURY STATEMENT

Transactions during the year ending Dec. 31, 1910.

Actual revenue of the Town which establish no liabilities
and may be used for any and all Town purposes known as :

REVENUE RECEIPTS

From Collector of Taxes, 1907	\$78 40
From Collector of Taxes, 1908	13,155 10
From Collector of Taxes, 1909	28,225 80
From Collector of Taxes, 1910	82,292 01

From Moth Assessments :

From Collector of Taxes, 1908	\$394 27
From Collector of Taxes, 1909	318 00
From Collector of Taxes, 1910	498 08

From Special Taxes, Licenses, etc. :

Corporation Tax	\$3,413 90
National Bank Tax	475 91
Dog Licenses	737 28
Licenses	84 00

From Department Receipts: 14,550 68

(Credited to Departments including Excise
and Franchise Tax.) For detail state-
ment see reports of Departments.

From Interest :

On Taxes	\$2,583 61
On Deposits	316 96

Total Revenue Receipts	\$147,124 00
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From money received from Loans, Notes, Bonds
and other borrowings known as :

NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS

From Temporary Loans	\$105,000 00
From Lowell-st. School house	6,500 00
From Cemetery Trust Funds	435 00
From Cemetery Special Acct.	1,785 00
Total Non-Revenue Receipts	\$113,720 00

Total Cash Receipts for Year	\$260,844 00
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TOWN OF READING PAYMENTS

REVENUE PAYMENTS

For Selectmen's Orders . . .	\$113,661 51	
For Interest:		
On Temporary Loans . . .	\$3,188 86	
On Town Notes . . .	3,390 00	
On Cemetery Trust Funds, in-		
terest on Bequests . . .	628 18	
On Cemetery Special . . .	28 02	
For State and County Taxes:		
State Tax	\$8,085 00	
County Tax	5,607 21	
Highway Tax	187 00	
Wellington Bridge	453 70	
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Total Revenue Payments . . .		\$135,229 48

NON-REVENUE PAYMENTS

For Indebtedness:		
Town Notes and Bonds . . .	\$17,500 00	
Temporary Loans	105,000 00	
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Total Non-Revenue Payments		\$122,500 00
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Total payments for the Year		\$257,729 48

RECAPITULATION

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1910 . . .	\$1,005 40	
Cash receipts for the year . . .	260,844 00	
Cash payments for the year . . .		\$257,729 48
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1910 . . .		4,119 92
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	\$261,849 40	\$261,849 40

TAXES

The taxes committed, abated and collected during the fiscal year together with the balance unpaid Dec. 31, 1909, and Dec. 31, 1910, are as follows:

Taxes 1907 — Herbert M. Viall, Collector:

Balance unpaid Dec. 31, 1909 .	\$175 90
Amount of Interest . . .	11 04

RECEIVED

From Collections	\$78 40
Interest	11 04
Abatements	97 50
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	\$186 94
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	\$186 94

Taxes 1908 — M. A. Stone, Collector:

Balance unpaid Dec. 31, 1909 .	\$14,064 63
Amount of abatements allowed in 1909, but not taken by the Collector until 1910 . . .	282 50
Amount of Interest collected in 1910	1,321 03

RECEIVED

From Collections	\$13,155 10
From Moth Assessments . .	394 27
From Interest	1,321 03
From Abatements	797 76
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	\$15,668 16
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	\$15,668 16

Taxes 1909 — Herbert M. Viall, Collector:

Balance unpaid Dec. 31, 1909 .	\$41,110 13
Amount of Interest collected in 1910	1,139 74
Additional Tax	18 60

RECEIVED

From Collections	\$28,225 80
From Moth Assessments . . .	318 00
From Interest	1,139 74
From Abatements	1,327 21
Uncollected to 1911	11,257 72
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	\$42,268 47 \$42,268 47

Taxes 1910 — Herbert M. Viall, Collector :

Total Commitment to collect	\$121,275 63
Total Moth Assessments . . .	965 13
Total Interest in 1910 . . .	111 80
Total Boston & Northern St. Ry.	
Tax	2,615 11

RECEIVED

From Collection Real and Personal Estate	\$82,292 01
From Moth Assessments . . .	498 08
From Interest	111 80
From Boston & Northern St. Ry.	
Tax	2,615 11
From Abatements	698 07
Amount Uncollected Dec. 31, 1910	38,752 60
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	\$124,967 67 \$124,967 67

SUMMARY

Amount Uncollected on Real and Personal Estate	\$38,285 55
Amount Uncollected on Moth Assessments	467 05
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	\$38,752 60

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE

RESOURCES

Cash on hand		\$4,119 92
Uncollected Taxes, 1909	\$11,257 72	
Uncollected Taxes, 1910	38,285 55	
	<hr/>	49,543 27
Due from Commonwealth :		
State Aid	\$2,220 00	
Moth	1,443 47	
Poor Department	604 53	
Smallpox	785 89	
Soldier's Burial	37 00	
	<hr/>	5,090 89
Due from Cities and Towns :		
City of Cambridge	\$165 40	
City of Lynn	27 00	
Town of Wilmington	19 55	
Town of Norfolk	279 91	
Town of Canton	76 50	
Town of Marblehead	48 00	
	<hr/>	616 36
Due from Sundry Parties, Edgestones :		
C. E. Judkins	\$16 04	
M. L. Stevens	23 60	
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Due from Property Owners, Moth		
Account		392 79
Due from Collector, (Moth Assess-		467 05
ments) 1910		
Corporation Tax in excess of Asses-		
sors' estimate		1,510 10
Taxes on property taken by Town		199 85
C. L. Haag Estate		241 67
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<i>Amount carried forward to page 78</i>		\$62,221 54

TOWN OF READING DEC. 31, 1910

LIABILITIES

Temporary Loans	\$55,000 00
Appropriations Unexpended :	
Printing	4 78
Re-Valuation of Town	1 62
Clerk of Selectmen	111 67
Soldiers' Relief	12 85
Fire Alarm	296 92
Tree Warden	4 58
Police Department	17 82
Street Sprinkling	9 43
Macadamizing Salem Street	200 00
Outside Poor	1,644 36
Public Library	2 55
Care and Improve. of Common Cemetery	54 41
Unexpended Nat. Bank Tax	1 62
Assessments Unpaid Moth Account (Suspense)	4 92
Moth Assessments Available	859 84
Abatement of Taxes	498 08
Bal. of Accrued Int. on Taxes	2,320 28
Certificates of Taxes	888 38
Interest on Town Debt	5 96
Lowell Street School House	\$227 29
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	4,253 09
	2,983 16

Carried forward to page 79

 \$69,403 61

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE

<i>Balance brought forward from page 76</i>	\$62,221 54
Due from Departments and overdrafts :	
Election Expenses	78 25
Miscellaneous Expenses	80 04
Salaries of Town Officers	121 55
Town Building	80 37
Forest Warden	144 50
Insurance Water Dept.	106 60
Insurance Mun. Light Dept.	472 50
Insurance Overdraft	397 02
Health Department	538 36
Smallpox	789 14
Moth Dept.	1,178 34
Highways : Snow and Ice	258 22
Town Home	2,769 25
School Dept.	65 93
Legal Dept.	102 00
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Total Current Assets	\$69,403 61

TRUST FUNDS

Town of Reading Trust Funds	\$15,560 93
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\$15,560 93

TOWN OF READING DEC. 31, 1910 — Continued

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\$69,403 61

 \$69,403 61

TRUST FUNDS

Trust Funds and Bequests :

Library Bequest . . .	\$200 00
Cemetery Bequests . . .	12,815 62
Cemetery, Special Sale of Lots and Graves . . .	1,710 27
Interest Available on Bequest Funds	835 04

 \$15,560 93

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE

Other Assets (Unavailable for
Debts.) Property owned by
the Town Dec. 31, 1910.

General:

Town Building	.	.	.	\$21,400	00	
Police Personal	.	.	.	288	75	
						<u>21,688 75</u>

Fire:

Fire Houses	.	.	.	\$6,600	00	
Personal	.	.	.	13,855	00	
						<u>20,455 00</u>

Highways:

Tool House	.	.	.	\$500	00	
Personal	.	.	.	2,982	45	
						<u>3,482 45</u>

Water Department:

Building	.	.	.	\$1,000	00	
Personal	.	.	.	2,500	00	
						<u>3,500 00</u>

Charities:

Town Home	.	.	.	\$9,500	00	
House, Federal St.	.	.	.	1,550	00	
Personal	.	.	.	3,060	22	
						<u>14,110 22</u>

Libraries:

Personal	.	.	.	\$3,000	00	3,000 00
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Cemeteries:

Land (estimated)	.	.	.	\$25,000	00	
Tool House	.	.	.	100	00	
Personal	.	.	.	200	00	
						<u>\$25,300 00</u>

Amount carried forward to page 82

\$91,536 42

TOWN OF READING DEC. 31, 1910—Continued

OTHER DEBTS

Town Debt:

Notes and Bonds Outstanding (For detail see Report)	\$351,100 00
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Balancing Account, Excess of "Fixed Assets" as valued by the Assessors over the out- standing notes and bonds .	406,735 02
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\$757,835 02

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE

<i>Brought forward, from page 80</i>		\$91,536 42
Parks:		
Common	\$10,000 00	
Band Stand	500 00	
Mayall Park	500 00	
	<hr/>	11,000 00
Education:		
Buildings and Land, Schools .	\$204,500 00	
Personal	15,000 00	
	<hr/>	219,500 00
Municipal Light:		
Building and Land	\$11,526 59	
Personal	87,128 00	
	<hr/>	98,654 59
Reading Water Works:		
Cost of Plant	\$337,144 01	337,144 01
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		\$757,835 02

TOWN OF READING DEC. 31, 1910 — Continued

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\$757,835 02

\$757,835 02

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of Reading:

We respectfully submit the following report for the year ended Dec. 31, 1910:

The Town, having made an appropriation at the annual meeting in March for a Clerk to the Board of Selectmen, and in view of recent legislation having been passed to establish a uniform system of accounting by cities and towns, it seemed to this Board that the Town of Reading should at this time adopt a system that would meet with the requirements of the Commonwealth.

Mr. John H. Sheldon was appointed Clerk, and after an examination of the Town Report for 1910 we feel that the citizens will agree that we were fortunate in being able to secure the services of one who was not only familiar with the State requirements but an expert accountant as well.

The Board decided to change the method of accounting and in conjunction with the Clerk and Town Treasurer adopted the system recommended by the Commonwealth and in addition adopted the voucher check for payment of bills, which precludes the liability of bills being lost, as with this system the bills do not leave the office.

We now have a system the adoption of which is costing some cities and towns from three to five hundred dollars for expert service while the cost to the Town has been nothing except for necessary books and stationery.

In order to conform to the classifications required we have changed the payment of some bills from one appropriation to another, as in the case of the Inspector of Animals, whose salary was formerly paid from the miscellaneous

account and this year appears under the Board of Health, a credit having been transferred to that account to offset this amount.

The Board have endeavored to obtain and pay all 1910 bills of the departments coming directly under it, and in some departments bills of 1909 have been paid to quite an amount accounting for overdrafts in some departments. This has been done in order to show as near as possible the exact standing of the accounts, that the overdrafts may be provided for in 1911, and the departments required to keep within their appropriations.

HIGHWAYS

Mr. Lemuel W. Allen was reappointed Superintendent of Streets and under his direction considerable macadam work has been done on Woburn and Haven streets. Main street from the B. & M. R. R. to Minot street should be rebuilt in the spring, and on account of the amount of automobile travel over the road, would advise that it be surfaced with a heavy oil and binder such as has been used on the State highway.

Considerable of the light oil has been used this year on a macadam service: the results on a common gravel road are not so satisfactory. If the use of light oil is to be continued we believe a separate appropriation should be made for it, or the appropriation for street sprinkling increased to cover the same. The use of this oil increases the amount of territory the street sprinkler is able to cover and should not be charged to the highway account.

The expense account of snow and ice was more this year than for several years.

Owing to the fact that the State was unable to give the Town an allotment to continue the macadam work on Salem street, we were obliged to expend quite a little from the highway appropriation in order to put the road in a safe condition.

MOTH DEPARTMENT

Mr. Guy A. Hubbard was re-appointed Local Superintendent and early in the season resigned to engage in business for himself. Mr. Henry M. Donegan was appointed to fill the vacancy and the work has been carried on under his direction to the satisfaction of the State Department.

In comparing the expenditures of this department for 1909 and 1910 one might suppose that less work had been done in 1910. This is accounted for by the fact that in previous years all supplies were bought by the department, the State reimbursing for all expenditures over the amount raised by the Town, while in 1910 the State furnished the Town with the supplies and no bills are rendered for the same, which reduces the total expenditures as shown by the financial statements.

We would recommend that the annual appropriations be made to conform with the State requirements and would also recommend that the Town accept the provisions of Chapter 624 of the Acts of 1910, which authorizes the Board of Selectmen to appoint a Town Accountant.

We would extend to any of the citizens interested an invitation to visit the Town Office and examine the present system as adopted.

Detail of expenditures of the departments will be found on the following pages.

GEORGE L. PRATT,

OLIVER L. AKERLEY,

FREDERIC D. MERRILL,

Selectmen of Reading.

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Detailed account of the appropriations and expenditures made by the Town during the year, together with the transfers, the expenditures and the unexpended balances December 31, 1910 :

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation	\$3,650 00
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EXPENDED

George L. Pratt, Selectman and Overseer of the Poor, 1910	\$291 67
Oliver L. Akerley, Selectman and Overseer of the Poor, 1910	250 00
Frederic D. Merrill, Selectman, 1910	125 00
Ward C. Mansfield, Treasurer, 1910 .	400 00
M. F. Charles, Assessor, 1910 . .	250 00
M. F. Charles, Town Clerk, 1910 . .	150 00
M. F. Charles, Clerk Board of Registrars, 1910	40 00
M. F. Charles, Secretary Finance Committee, 1910	25 00
J. H. Adden, Assessor to March 1, 1910	45 47
M. A. Stone, Assessor, 1910 . .	250 00
M. A. Stone, Collector, 1908 . .	104 35
A. S. Richards, Assessor, 1910 . .	250 00
H. M. Viall, Collector, 1909 . .	146 00
H. M. Viall, Collector, 1910 . .	417 45

E. F. Parker, Jr., Executor Estate E.		
F. Parker, Treasurer, 1909 . . .	\$66 67	
G. H. Clough, Registrar, 1909 . . .	30 00	
G. H. Clough, Registrar, 1910 . . .	30 00	
W. S. Prentiss, Registrar, 1910 . . .	30 00	
Owen McKenney, Registrar, 1910 . . .	30 00	
C. M. Spencer, Auditor, 1909 . . .	33 34	
E. F. Parker, Jr., Auditor, 1909 . . .	33 33	
A. W. Bancroft, Auditor, 1909 . . .	33 33	
F. H. Nutting, Auditor, 1910 . . .	27 78	
W. H. Wilson, Auditor, 1910 . . .	27 77	
O. W. Batchelder, Auditor, 1910 . . .	27 77	
G. L. Flint, Electric Light Commis- sioner, 1910	75 00	
J. M. Maxwell, Jr., Electric Light Com- missioner, 1910	75 00	
E. H. Robinson, Electric Light Com- missioner, 1910	45 00	
W. C. Buck, Electric Light Commis- sioner, 1910	12 50	
H. R. Johnson, Water Commissioner, 1910	75 00	
E. N. Hunt, Water Commissioner, 1910	75 00	
E. N. Hunt, Water Commissioner, 1909	44 96	
A. R. Prentiss, Water Commissioner, 1909	6 25	
A. R. Prentiss, Water Commissioner, 1910	75 00	
G. L. Flint, Board of Health, 1910 . . .	4 16	
F. D. Merrill, Board of Health, 1910 . .	75 00	
H. B. Howard, Board of Health, 1910 . .	62 50	
J. H. Carleton, Board of Health, 1910	31 25	
Total	<hr/>	\$3,771 55
Overdraft to 1911		121 55
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		\$3,650 00

SALARY OF CLERK TO THE SELECTMEN

Appropriation	\$500 00
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EXPENDED

For John H. Sheldon, Clerk to Dec. 31, 1910	\$388 7 33
Balance to 1911	<hr/> \$111 67

PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$3,800 00
Received from Court fines and sundries	149 30
	<hr/> \$3,949 30

EXPENDED

For William T. Leggett, Chief	895 00	
William H. Manning	876 00	
Robert Powers	876 00	
John M. Cullinane	825 00	
Samuel Brown	113 83	
Oscar H. Lowe	86 36	
Asa Parker	2 00	
Special Police July 4th and 5th	78 00	
Transportation of prisoners and miscellaneous expenses	42 72	
Supplies	54 17	
Telephone and tolls	80 40	
Medical examination	2 00	3,931 48
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Unexpended to 1911		\$17 82

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Alarm Box No. 231:

Appropriation	\$150 00
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EXPENDED

Labor and Supplies	\$104 00	
Gamewell Fire Alarm and Tel. Co., Box 231	46 00	
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	\$150 00	\$150 00

Fire Alarm Box Oak and Prospect Sts. :

Appropriation		\$75 00
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EXPENDED

Gamewell Fire Alarm and Tel. Co., Box	46 00	46 00
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Transferred to Fire Department .		\$29 00
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Pung Hose No. 4 :

Appropriation		\$65 00
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EXPENDED

O. O. Ordway	65 00	
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	\$65 00	\$65 00
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Painting Hose Houses :

Appropriation		\$75 00
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EXPENDED

W. F. Cook	\$75 00	
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		\$75 00
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Storage Battery for Fire Alarm :

Appropriation		\$150 00
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EXPENDED

Chemicals	\$7 78	
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American Storage Battery Co.	94 33	
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Expressage	80	102 91
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Transferred to Fire Department .		\$47 09
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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$6,000 00
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Received from sundry sources .	46 15
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Transferred from Storage Battery ap- propriation	47 09
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Transferred from box Oak and Prospect Streets	29 00
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	\$6,122 24
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EXPENDED

Pay Roll	\$2,746 22	
F. G. Nichols, Chief Engineer	100 00	
O. O. Ordway, Asst. Engineer	75 00	
A. G. Nichols, Asst. Engineer and Clerk	85 00	
L. T. Eames, Engineer of Steamer	31 25	
M. J. Shannon, Asst. Engineer, Steamer	100 00	
E. H. Crowe, Steward, Hook & Ladder	60 00	
C. H. Heselton, Steward, Hose 2	65 00	
P. Nichols, Steward, Hose 3	30 00	
D. Weston, Steward, Hose 4	30 00	
H. G. Stock, horse hire, 1909	150 00	
E. P. Bancroft, horse hire, 1909	62 50	
E. P. Bancroft, horse hire, 1910	125 00	
G. Stock, horse hire, 1910	500 00	
J. Stock, horse hire, 1910	244 00	
G. F. Blanchard, horse hire, 1910	22 50	
P. Nichols, horse hire, 1910	42 50	
W. McKinley, horse hire, 1910	40 00	
J. B. McLane, Rent of Wagon	25 00	
Abbott-Downing Co., Repairs to Hose 1	192 20	
Heater, Hose 3	23 50	
Telephone Rates and Tolls	68 53	
Miscellaneous Repairs	91 38	
Miscellaneous Supplies	38 21	
Municipal Light Plant, Lighting	41 69	
Reading Water Works, Water rates	17 76	
Expressing	8 15	
Storage and Rent	35 00	
Fuel	99 65	
Care of Hose	40 25	
Extra Labor	78 12	5,268 41
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Transferred to Fire Alarm		\$853 83

FIRE ALARM

Transferred from Fire Department	\$853 83
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EXPENDED

L. T. Eames, Supt., balance salary, 1909	\$25 00	
L. T. Eames, Supt., salary, 1910	100 00	
Box 21	46 00	
Horse hire	16 00	
Labor, supplies and repairs to line	349 44	
Chime Whistle	17 50	
Expressing	2 97	556 93
Unexpended to 1911		\$296 92

FOREST WARDEN

Appropriation	\$250 00
Received from sundry sources	1 75
	\$251 75

EXPENDED

H. E. McIntire, salary, 1910	\$20 00	
J. N. Weston, salary, 1909	10 00	
J. N. Weston, salary, 1910	15 00	
F. W. Davis, salary to May 1, 1910	15 00	
Labor and teams	304 50	
Supplies	18 50	
Repairs	3 50	
Printing	9 75	
		\$396 25
Overdrawn		144 50
		\$251 75

TREE WARDEN

Appropriation	\$500 00	
Received from Reading Woman's Club	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$515 00

EXPENDED

Moth Department, use of sprayer	\$106 53	
Labor and teams	360 74	
Supplies	38 20	
Repairs	4 95	510 42
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Unexpended to 1911		\$4 58

MOTH ACCOUNT

Appropriation	\$2,182 00
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RECEIPTS

From Spraying and Moth Work	\$788 50	
From Commonwealth	412 93	
From Hubbard & Davis	80 00	
From Tree Warden Department	106 53	
From Highway Department	43 44	
From Sundry Sources	1 75	
From Commonwealth, Account 1909	\$878 87	
Amount charged Commonwealth, Account 1909	684 62	
	<hr/>	194 25
Amount due from Commonwealth	1,443 47	
Amount due from property owners	1,178 34	
	<hr/>	\$6,431 21

TRANSFERRED

Amount shown as due from Property Owners' Moth Account	\$280 25
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EXPENDED

Guy A. Hubbard, Local Superintendent	363 00	
Guy A. Hubbard, expenses	23 30	
Henry M. Donegan, Local Superintendent	474 50	
Henry M. Donegan, expenses	2 85	
Labor	4,867 54	
Labor and teams	253 96	
Stationery and postage	58 48	
Printing	21 50	
Storage	6 50	
Repairs	40 15	
Supplies	12 02	
Freight and express	27 16	
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	\$6,431 21	\$6,431 21

RENTAL OF HYDRANTS

Appropriation	\$5,370 00
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EXPENDED

Paid Water Department	\$5,370 00	\$5,370 00
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HEALTH AND SANITATION

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$600 00
Received from sundry sources	23 10
Transferred from Credit Account of unpaid bills of 1909 as shown by Auditors under Liabilities	250 00
	\$873 10

EXPENDED

G. S. Tukey, Agent and Inspector of Plumbing	\$537 52
Labor, fumigating and incidentals	143 05
C. H. Playdon, salary, Inspector of Animals, 1910	125 00
C. H. Playdon, salary, Inspector of Animals, 1910	125 00
C. H. Playdon, salary, Board of Health, 1908	25 00
C. H. Playdon, salary, Board of Health, 1909	25 00
C. H. Playdon, salary, Meat Inspector, 1908	50 00
C. H. Playdon, expenses, 1908	30 05
F. L. Smalley, M. D.	17 91
C. W. McDougal, Plumbing Examiner, 1909	10 00
Rent	24 00
Fuel	20 80
Lighting	6 21
Telephone	74 79
Printing	35 40

Disinfectant	\$86 94	
Expressing	11 48	
Miscellaneous supplies	63 31	
	<hr/>	1,411 46

Overdraft to 1911	\$538 36
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SMALL POX

Appropriation	\$700 00
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TRANSFERRED

To Commonwealth of Massachusetts	785 89
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	\$1,485 89

EXPENDED

Board	\$25 50	
Clothing	12 53	
Fuel	39 40	
Disinfectant	68 56	
Medical Attendance	936 50	
Milk	10 80	
Medicine	23 37	
Groceries and provisions	217 10	
Rent	49 45	
Miscellaneous supplies	293 07	
Transportation	12 00	
Watching	586 75	\$2,275 03
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Overdraft to 1911		\$789 14

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Small Pox :

Amount to be refunded	\$785 89
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HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES AND SIDEWALKS

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$3,000 00
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RECEIVED

From sundry sources	121 51
From rent of Steam Roller	330 00
Transferred from street railway franchise and excise tax	5,756 19
Amount due from M. L. Stevens for edgestones	23 60
	\$9,231 30

EXPENDED

L. W. Allen, salary, Supt. Streets, 1910	\$925 00
L. W. Allen, Supt. Streets, expense	12 08
Salary Engineer Steam Roller	193 90
Road Roller, Note	400 00
Standard Oil Co.	281 70
Boston & Maine R. R.	420 09
Essex Trap Rock & Stone Co.	757 90
Dominique Doucette	194 57
Gravel	176 31
Expressing	70 16
Municipal Light Board	59 18
W. Bancroft & Co.	160 85
James A. Bancroft	41 25
Labor and teams	1,393 44
Labor	2,626 10
H. R. Johnson	48 99
H. E. Fletcher Co.	27 32
Francis Bros.	33 42
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	27 60

John Muse	\$40 00	
A. D. Gordon	32 25	
O. W. Austin	71 57	
Miscellaneous repairs and supplies	231 33	8,225 01
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Transferred to Snow and Ice		\$1,006 29

SNOW AND ICE

Transferred from Highway	\$1,006 29
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EXPENDED

Labor	\$604 88	
Labor and teams	645 12	
Miscellaneous supplies	14 51	1,264 51
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Overdraft to 1911		\$258 22

GUIDE BOARDS

Appropriated from Misc. Expenses	\$50 00
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EXPENDED

L. W. Dickinson & Co.	\$30 00	
Miscellaneous repairs	7 40	37 40
		<hr/>
Transferred to Highway		\$12 60

VINE STREET AND HIGHLAND AVENUE

Appropriation	\$300 00
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EXPENDED

Labor	\$141 25	
Labor and Teams	98 76	
Miscellaneous expenses and supplies	59 81	299 82
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Transferred to Highway		18

MINERAL STREET BRIDGE

Transferred from Salem Street Ap- propriation	\$500 00
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EXPENDED

H. R. Johnson, contract	\$530 00	
H. R. Johnson, extra	10 00	540 00
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Overdraft paid from Highway Ap- propriation		\$40 00

SALEM STREET

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
Transferred to Mineral Street Bridge . .	\$500 00
Transferred to Street Sprinkling . . .	300 00
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Unexpended to 1911	\$200 00

STREET RAILWAY TAX

Balance from 1909	\$299 81
Received from Commonwealth	2,841 27
Received from Boston & Northern . .	
Street Railway	2,615 11
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Transferred to Highways	\$5,756 19

STREET SPRINKLING

Appropriation, including water . .	\$1,000 00
Transferred from Salem Street . .	300 00
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	\$1,300 00

EXPENDED

Reading Water Works	\$500 00	
John Stock, labor and team	671 62	
Abbott-Downing Co.	43 25	
O. O. Ordway	39 75	
L. W. Dickinson & Co.	30 00	
Miscellaneous repairs and supplies	5 95	1,290 57
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Unexpended to 1911		\$9 43

DRINKING FOUNTAINS

Appropriation	\$300 00
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EXPENDED

Reading Water Works	\$300 00	
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	\$300 00	\$300 00

STREET LIGHTING

Appropriation	\$10,000 00
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EXPENDED

Municipal Light Board	\$10,000 00	
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	\$10,000 00	\$10,000 00

ELECTRIC LIGHT

(Cor. Summer Ave. and Willow St.)

Appropriation	\$160 00
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EXPENDED

Municipal Light Board	\$160 00	
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	\$160 00	\$160 00

ELECTRIC LIGHT
(Grove and Franklin Sts.)

Appropriation		\$110 00
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EXPENDED

Municipal Light Board	. . .		\$110 00
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			<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; width: 100%;"> \$110 00 \$110 00 </div>

REPORT OF
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For Year Ending Dec. 31, 1910

Overseers of the Poor

GEORGE L. PRATT, *Chairman*

OLIVER L. AKERLEY, *Secretary*

JAMES W. KILLAM

Superintendent of Town Home

WILLIAM C. SMITH

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

To the Citizens of the Town of Reading :

We herewith submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1910 :

There have been four inmates at the Town Home during the entire year and two inmates during a portion of the year.

The list of inmates is omitted from this report in accordance with Section 1 of Chapter 412, Acts of 1910, which prohibits the publication of the names of persons receiving aid.

William C. Smith was reappointed Superintendent of the Town Home.

The matter of uniting our Town Home with those of other towns has been taken up with other boards of Overseers and we hope to be able to present some facts in regard to the same at the annual meeting.

The cost per week per inmate has been about the same as that of last year notwithstanding that there has been a decided increase in the personal property during the year.

The calls for outside aid this year have been larger than usual, mainly due to several extraordinary cases which involved considerable medical expense.

The financial statement of this department may be found on the following pages.

GEORGE L. PRATT,
OLIVER L. AKERLEY,
JAMES W. KILLAM,
Overseers of the Poor.

PERSONAL PROPERTY AT THE TOWN HOME,
JANUARY 1, 1911

Live stock	\$1,473 00
Hay and grain	204 00
Wagons, carts and sleighs	178 00
Manure	96 00
Harnesses, blankets, etc.	43 75
Spraying machine	35 00
Barrels, boxes and baskets	18 25
Fuel	92 00
Farming tools and implements	189 30
Beds and bedding	111 10
Household furniture and utensils	416 41
Provisions and supplies	203 41
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	\$3,060 22

CHARITIES—TOWN HOME

Amount received from sale of farm products, live stock, gravel and use of team on highways	3,001 43
Received for board	60 00
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	\$3,061 43

EXPENDED

W. C. Smith, Salary Supt., 1910	\$550 00
W. C. Smith, miscellaneous supplies and expenses	40 20
W. C. Smith, cows	140 00
W. C. Smith, rent of farm	100 00
Wages and labor	563 74
G. H. Atkinson Co.	1,089 53
Smith & Jewett	195 84
F. Smith	262 32

F. Wallace	\$458 41
Rockport Fish Co.	34 73
W. A. Rich	\$108 41
Quincy Market	79 46
O. L. Nichols	71 87
W. Taylor	34 46
C. L. Martin Co.	121 25
C. Wakefield	23 40
F. G. McDonald	26 85
A. S. Cook	14 24
H. O. Copeland Co.	15 79
A. D. Gordon	10 80
F. Bartley	41 96
Hall & Macfarland	7 75
J. J. Cameron	10 90
Hodson Brothers	14 16
P. J. Seaman	43 26
W. Bancroft & Co.	84 52
H. R. Johnson	11 55
Francis Brothers	101 90
H. P. Hubbard	10 50
J. C. Oxley	10 00
E. C. Metcalf	20 41
W. H. Willis	27 30
C. D. Wells	23 25
F. W. Parker	11 95
W. H. Wightman	45 00
C. Pettengill	600 00
Municipal Light Board	58 99
Reading Water Works	51 93
Reading Citizens Ice Co.	45 05
Collins Hardware Co.	43 04
A. W. Danforth	14 60
C. A. Cummings	323 47
Boston & Maine R. R.	55 80
C. H. Playdon	16 00

L. J. Ainsworth	\$33 00	
G. W. Weston	18 00	
H. A. Huse	13 50	
Miscellaneous repairs and supplies	151 59	5,830 68
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Carried to Poor Account		\$2,769 25

OUTSIDE POOR

Appropriation	\$3,300 00	
Received from sundry sources	41 50	
Transferred from amount set aside by Auditors, account 1909 bills	250 00	
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		\$3,591 50

EXPENDED

Medical attendance, fuel and supplies	\$1,947 14	
Transferred from Town Home	2,769 25	4,716 39
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Overdraft to 1911		\$1,124 89

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

STATE AID

Balance from 1909	\$2,409 00	
By appropriation		\$2,500 00
Received from Commonwealth		2,409 00
Amount estimated by the Assessors	2,500 00	
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	\$4,909 00	\$4,909 00

EXPENDED

By Payrolls	\$2,220 00
(To be refunded by the Commonwealth)	

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
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EXPENDED

For Supplies	987 15
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Unexpended to 1911	\$12 85
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BURIAL OF SOLDIERS

Balance from 1909	\$111 00
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RECEIVED

From the Commonwealth of Mass.	\$111 00
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EXPENDED

Burial of one soldier	\$37 00
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(To be refunded by the Commonwealth of Mass.)

EDUCATION

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$30,000 00
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Received from sundry sources	2,356 35
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	\$32,356 35
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Expended	30,481 12
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Unexpended	\$1,875 23
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SCHOOL INCIDENTALS

Appropriation	\$5,000 00
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Expended	6,941 16
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Overdraft	\$1,941 16
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RECAPITULATION

Unexpended balance, School Department	\$1,875 23
Less overdraft, School Department Incidentals	1,941 16
Net Overdraft	\$65 93
(For detail see Report of School Committee)	

INSURANCE

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
Expended	1,000 00

LOWELL STREET SCHOOL HOUSE

Appropriation	\$2,500 00
Received from loan	6,500 00
Received from sale of material	15 00
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	\$9,015 00

EXPENDED

Stewart & Robertson	\$4,000 00
Adden & Parker	317 63
Francis Bros.	366 11
Reading Water Works	62 92
W. Bancroft & Co.	15 25
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Unexpended to 1911	\$4,253 09

LIBRARIES

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
Proceeds of Dog Tax, 1909	737 28
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	\$1,737 28
Expended	1,734 73
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Unexpended to 1911	\$2 55
(For details see report of Library Trustees)	

CEMETERIES

LAUREL HILL CEMETERY

Appropriation	\$1,250 00
Received from sundry sources	15 00
Interest on Cemetery Bequests	639 25
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	\$1,904 25
Expended	1,902 63
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Unexpended to 1911	\$1 62
(For details see report of Trustees of Laurel Hill Cemetery)	

CEMETERY SPECIAL

Received from sale of Lots and Graves in 1910	\$1,785 00
Received from interest on above fund	28 02
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	\$1,813 02

EXPENDED

Paid Cemetery Note due April 28, 1910	\$100 00
Paid interest on above note	2 75
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	102 75
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Balance in fund Dec. 31, 1910	\$1,710 27

CEMETERY TRUST FUND

Balance from 1909	\$12,377 77
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RECEIVED

Mary S. Goodwin	\$60 00
Estate of Susan Cummings	50 00
Maria P. Howard	100 00
O. P. Symonds & Sons	125 00
Estate of Henry Damon	100 00
Interest on bequest of Frederick and Harriet Bancroft	2 85
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Balance in fund Dec. 31, 1910	\$12,815 62

INTEREST ON CEMETERY BEQUESTS

Balance from 1909 . . .	\$848 96	
Interest on Trust Fund . . .	625 33	
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	\$1,474 29	

EXPENDED

Paid Trustees Laurel Hill Cemetery .	639 25	
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Balance available Dec. 31, 1910 .	\$835 04	

RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS

RENT OF PLAYGROUND

Appropriation	\$342 00	
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EXPENDED

Kirk Sweetser	\$342 00	
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	\$342 00	\$342 00

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	\$175 00	
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EXPENDED

Veteran Post 194, G. A. R.	\$175 00	
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	\$175 00	\$175 00

BAND CONCERTS

Appropriation	\$200 00	
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EXPENDED

F. Wallace, agent	\$200 00	
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	\$200 00	\$200 00

CARE AND IMPROVEMENT OF COMMON AND PARKS

Appropriation	\$125 00
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EXPENDED

Reading Water Works	\$12 00	
Orne Green	50 50	
Patrick Burke	7 00	
Supplies	1 09	70 59

Unexpended to 1911	\$54 41
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UNCLASSIFIED

REVALUATION OF TOWN

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
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EXPENDED

M. F. Charles, services	\$190 00	
M. A. Stone, services	191 61	
A. S. Richards, services	191 61	
W. E. & J. F. Twombly, Printing	392 16	
Express	3 00	
Typewriting	30 00	998 38

Unexpended to 1911	\$1 62
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INSURANCE

RECEIVED

Transferred from School Insurance Ap- propriation	\$1,000 00
Premiums overpaid	10 10
Dividends and Rebates	533 18
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	\$1,543 28

EXPENDED

Premiums paid		\$2,519 40	
Overdraft		\$976 12	
Amount due from Water Department .	\$106 60		
Amount due from Municipal Light Dept.	472 50		
Amount to be appropriated in 1911 .	397 02		
			<u>\$976 12</u>

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

No Appropriation

EXPENDED

George W. Smith <i>vs.</i> Town of Reading:			
J. W. Grimes, counsel	50 00		
Examination of titles	50 00		
Photograph, Ticknor Case	2 00		
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Overdraft to 1911		\$102 00	

STATE TAXES

(Wellington Bridge)

Appropriation	\$453 70
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EXPENDED

Commonwealth of Mass.	\$453 70	
	<u>\$453 70</u>	<u>\$453 70</u>

HIGHWAYS

Appropriation	\$187 00
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EXPENDED

Commonwealth of Mass.	\$187 00	
	<u>\$187 00</u>	<u>\$187 00</u>

STATE TAX

Appropriation	\$8,085 00
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EXPENDED

Commonwealth of Mass.	\$8,085 00	
	<u>\$8,085 00</u>	<u>\$8,085 00</u>

COUNTY TAX

Appropriation	\$5,607 21
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EXPENDED

Paid County Treasurer	\$5,607 21	
	<u>\$5,607 21</u>	<u>\$5,607 21</u>

PRINTING

Appropriation	\$750 00
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EXPENDED

W. E. and J. F. Twombly, Town Reports, 1909	\$377 52	
W. E. & J. F. Twombly, extra copies Water, Light and School Reports	30 00	
W. E. & J. F. Twombly, miscellaneous printing	325 40	
Miscellaneous printing for Assessors	12 30	745 22
		<u>745 22</u>
Unexpended		\$4 78

TOWN BUILDING

Appropriation	\$500 00
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EXPENDED

W. Bancroft & Co., fuel	\$392 30
Municipal Light Board, lights and supplies	77 59
Reading Water Works	8 00

Expressing	\$7 25	
Janitor service	25 00	
Labor and repairs	47 88	
Miscellaneous supplies	22 35	580 37
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Overdraft to 1911		\$80 37

ELECTION EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$300 00
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EXPENDED

Lyceum Hall Association, rent of hall for caucuses, elections and Town meetings	\$101 00	
G. L. Flint, Moderator, 1910	30 00	
Printing	57 25	
Recount of votes for Senator	20 00	
Payrolls—Ballot Clerks and Tellers, March 7 and November 8, 1910	145 00	
Election Officers, November 8, 1910	15 00	
Posting warrants	2 00	
M. F. Charles, services at elections	8 00	378 25
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Overdraft to 1911		\$78 25

C. L. HAAG ESTATE

Balance from 1909	\$119 38
Expended in 1910	122 29
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Balance to 1911	\$241 67

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$1,100 00
Received from licenses	84 00
Received from fees, sealing weights, measures, etc.	27 42
Received from sundry sources	72
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	\$1,212 14

Transferred to guide boards \$50 00

EXPENDED

M. F. Charles, recording births, marriages and deaths	\$95 20
M. F. Charles, administering oaths to town officers	18 50
A. S. Richards, copying valuation lists	75 00
A. G. Sias, Inspector of Wires, 1910	75 00
F. W. Parker, Sealer of Weights and Measures, 1910	100 00
F. W. Parker, expenses and supplies	16 78
Reporting deaths	71 00
Typewriting	5 50
H. M. Donegan, vacation	30 00
Lila D. Stott, services for the Assessors	46 35
Old South M. E. Church, care of clock	50 00
Registering of Town notes	65 00
Veteran Post 194, G. A. R., lighting hall	50 00
Insurance	108 33
C. W. Abbott, Postmaster	106 20
Reporting births	7 00
Collectors, books and stationery	53 87
Order book	18 50
Account of change in accounting	144 75
Moth Department telephone	22 96

Miscellaneous expenses and supplies for

Assessors	\$11 75	
Miscellaneous books, supplies and repairs	63 49	
Recording Vine street deed	1 00	
H. M. Meek Publishing Co.	3 00	
W. Flint, labor	3 00	1,292 18
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Overdraft to 1911		\$80 04

TAXES ON PROPERTY TAKEN

EXPENDED

For taxes	\$255 34
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RECEIVED

From sundry parties	55 49
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Balance to 1911	\$199 85

TOWN INDEBTEDNESS, SPECIAL

BONDS AND NOTES DUE IN 1910

Appropriation	\$13,500 00
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TRANSFERRED

From Water Department, Bond Acct.	2,000 00
From Municipal Light Bond and Note	
Acct.	4,000 00
From available assets	4,000 00
	23,500 00

EXPENDED

For School House Notes	\$12,000 00
For Electric Light Notes	4,000 00
For Water Department Bonds	7,000 00
For Cemetery Note	100 00
For Road Roller Note	400 00
	\$23,500 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT

By Appropriation	\$5,390 00
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TRANSFERRED

From available assets	1,751 04
From Water Department Bond Acct. .	7,765 00
From Municipal Light Bond and Note	
Acct.	2,416 00
From Cemetery Special, Interest on	
Note of \$100	2 75

RECEIVED

From Premiums, Sale of Notes . . .	81 60
From Interest on Deposits . . .	316 96
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	\$17,643 35

TRANSFERRED

To Water Dept. Bond Account . .	\$7,765 00
To Municipal Light Bond Account .	2,416 00
To Interest Cemetery Bequests . .	625 33
To Cemetery Account, Special . .	28 02
To Cemetery Trust Funds . . .	2 85

EXPENDED

For Interest on Temporary Loans .	3,188 86
For Interest School House Loans .	3,390 00
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	17,416 06
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Unexpended balance to 1911 .	\$227 29

LIBRARY BEQUEST FUND

Balance from 1919	\$200 00
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Balance to 1911	\$200 00

ACCRUED INTEREST ON TAXES

Amount estimated due by the Audi- tors Dec. 31, 1909 . . .	\$1,695 23
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RECEIVED

From H. M. Viall, Taxes 1907 . .	\$11 04
From M. A. Stone, Taxes 1908 . .	1,321 03
From H. M. Viall, Taxes 1909 . .	1,139 74
From H. M. Viall, Taxes 1910 . .	111 80
Balance unexpended to 1911 . .	888 38
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	\$2,583 61
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	\$2,583 61

SCHEDULE OF REAL ESTATE

Schedule of Real Estate owned by the Town of Reading as reported by the Assessors, and estimated, December 31, 1910:

SCHOOLS

	Buildings	Land	
High . . .	\$92,000	\$9,000	\$101,000 00
Highland . .	58,000	5,000	63,000 00
Center . . .	10,000	2,000	12,000 00
Union Street	9,500	2,000	11,500 00
Prospect Street	6,000	3,800	9,800 00
John Street .	2,000	1,200	3,200 00
Hopkins Street	2,000	500	2,500 00
Lowell Street .		1,500	1,500 00
			<hr/> \$204,500 00

PARKS

	Land	
Common	\$10,000	\$10,000 00
Band stand		500 00
Mayall Park	500	500 00
		<hr/> 11,000 00

FIRE STATIONS

	Buildings	Land	
Hose House Woburn St.	\$2,000	\$1,000	3,000 00
Hose House Hopkins St.	1,500	*	1,500 00
Hose House No. Main St.	1,500	600	2,100 00
Town building	15,000	6,000	21,000 00
			<hr/> 27,600 00

* On school house land

POOR DEPARTMENT

	Buildings	Land	
Town Home	\$5,500	3,000	9,500 00
Town Stable	1,000		
House 58 Federal street	950	600	1,550 00
			<hr/> 11,050 00

ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER STATION

Real Estate (valued by the Commissioners)	\$11,526 59	
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HIGHWAYS

Shop Pleasant street, on Town		
Building land	\$1,000 00	
Tool House	500 00	
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CEMETERY

Land (estimated)	\$25,000 00	
Tool House	100 00	
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Total Real Estate		<hr/> \$292,276 59

Estimated Valuation of Personal Property belonging to the Town of Reading Dec. 31, 1910:

Town Rooms	\$400 00
Police Department	288 75
Fire Department	13,855 00
Electric Light Department	87,128 00
(See their Report)	

Library	\$3,000 00	
School Department	15,000 00	
Highways	2,982 45	
Water Department	2,500 00	
Cemetery	200 00	
Town Home	3,060 22	
Total Valuation Personal Property	<hr/>	\$128,414 42
Total Valuation of Town Property		<hr/> \$420,691 01

EXEMPTED PROPERTY

The following is a schedule of property used for religious and other purposes and by law exempt from taxation as reported by the Assessors Dec. 31, 1910:

Baptist Society	\$19,500 00	
Congregational Society	38,500 00	
Old South M. E. Church	21,000 00	
Christian Union Society	20,500 00	
St. Agnes Roman Catholic Church	44,000 00	
Home for Aged Women	5,500 00	
Y. M. C. Association	11,000 00	
Quannapowitt Agricultural Association	13,800 00	
Total	<hr/>	\$173,800 00

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS

Police

Board of Engineers

Superintendent of Fire Alarm

Tree Warden

Forest Warden

Trustees Laurel Hill Cemetery

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Board of Assessors

Tax Collector

Board of Health

Inspector of Plumbing

REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit for your consideration the annual report of the Police Department for the year ending Dec. 31, 1910.

ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR 1910

Total number of arrests	79
Males	70
Females	9
Residents	51
Non-residents	28
American born	33
Foreign born	46
Adults	71
Minors	8

CAUSES OF ARREST

Assault and battery	10
Drunkenness	41
Disturbing the peace	1
Insane	2
Idle and disorderly	1
Liquor nuisance	1
Larceny	3
Non-support	1
Carrying revolver without license	1
Operating auto without license	1
Violating auto speed laws	10
Selling cigarettes to a minor	3

Runaway	2
Delinquent	1
Tramp	1
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Total arrests	79

DISPOSITION OF CASES IN COURT

Number that paid fines	33
Sentenced to House of Correction	12
Committed to State Hospital	3
Placed on file	12
Discharged	8
Continued	3
Sentenced to State Farm	1
Still pending	1
Suspended	1
Released	1
Probation	1
Appealed	1
Industrial School	2
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Total	79

Amount of fines imposed	\$336 00
Amount of fines paid	148 00
Amount of fines due	26 00

MISCELLANEOUS

Buildings found opened and secured	15
Residences temporarily vacated and special police protection requested	55
Dogs killed	16
Lanterns hung in dangerous places	7
Amount of property reported as stolen	\$123 00
Amount of stolen property recovered	90 00

ROSTER

CHIEF

William T. Leggett

PATROLMEN

Wm. H. Manning

John M. Cullinane

Robert Powers

SPECIAL OFFICERS

Lemuel W. Allen

William C. McKinley

William F. Welch

William H. Killam

William J. Allen

William C. Smith

Oscar H. Low

David J. Whelton

Walter P. Gleason

Alden W. Sennett

Asa Parker

Jeremiah J. Cullinane

J. Mande Doucette

Clement Gleason

Samuel Brown

William Kidder

Arthur E. Davis

Willard A. Bancroft

Joseph C. Shaw

Jason Zwicker

LIST OF PROPERTY IN THE CUSTODY OF THE
DEPARTMENT BELONGING TO TOWN

One roll top desk	\$12 00
One table	5 00
Four chairs	5 00
Twelve helmets	24 00
Eighteen special police badges	9 00
Ten regular police badges	10 00
Eight belts	9 00
Six pair hand-cuffs	22 50
Three twisters	3 00
Eighteen billies	13 50
One dark lantern	1 50
Two stop watches	14 00
One watchman's clock	5 00

Six lockers	\$30 00
One shot gun	10 00
Four revolvers	20 00
Four Colt's automatic pistols	52 00
Four holsters	6 00
One pick	1 50
One shovel	1 00
One iron rake	75
Two auto registers	2 00
Auto trap wire and signal bells	14 00
Police telephone box	12 00
Bulletin board	6 00

\$288 75

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T. LEGGETT,

Chief of Police.

Reading, Mass., Jan. 1, 1911.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN :— The Board of Engineers herewith submit their annual report for the year nineteen hundred and ten.

During the year the Department has responded to 29 alarms.

The Department consists of :

One Chief Engineer and two Assistant Engineers.

Steamer No. 1, two enginemen, Central Fire Station.

Hook and Ladder No. 1, twelve men, Central Fire Station.

Hose No. 1, twelve men, Central Fire Station.

Hose No. 2, twelve men, Woburn street.

Hose No. 3, 7 men, North Main street.

Hose No. 4, seven men, Hopkins street.

Hose No. 5, Volunteer Co., Forest street, at G. E. Blanchard's.

Mr. Leonard T. Eames was reappointed Supt. of the Fire Alarm, and the system is in good condition.

The apparatus is in good condition, with the exception of a few ladders.

We would recommend a Fire Alarm Box at the corner of Salem and John streets.

We would recommend a wagon for Hose No. 5: their reel is beyond repair.

For economy and better service for the town we would recommend an Auto. Combination Wagon at the earliest possible date.

We have installed the three boxes called for by vote of Town.

We have purchased a new pump.

We have had Hose Wagon No. 1 repaired and painted.

In conclusion, we would thank the members of the Department and all who have in any way assisted the Department the past year, and especially the Boston & Northern Street Railway Co. for the free use of the current for charging the storage battery.

F. G. NICHOLS, Chief,

O. O. ORDWAY, First Asst.,

A. G. NICHOLS, Sec'y,

Board of Engineers.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FIRES FOR THE YEAR 1910

Date	Box	Time	Owner	Occupant	Loss on Building	Ins. on Building	Ins. Paid	Loss on Cont'ts	Ins. on Cont'ts	Ins. Paid	Cause
Jan. 2	15	5.00 p m	Marion F. Davies	J. W. Davies	\$700 00	\$700 00	\$700 00	\$2500 00	\$2500 00	\$2500 00	Boiler
Jan. 5	17	9.20 a m	Mary J. Borthwick	J. Borthwick	140 00	3500 00	140 00	None	None	None	Thawing Water Pipe
Jan. 6	13	8.10 p m	Martin Coal Co.		Slight	None	None	None	None	None	Sparks
Jan. 20	41	6.10 p m	L. Fiddling		None	None	None	20 00	500 00	20 00	Incendiary
Jan. 27	24	7.41 p m	J. B. Lewis	F. F. Swasey	None	None	None	None	None	None	Lamp Explosion
Mar. 25	68	4.10 p m	Cummings Estate	H. H. Blabon	125 00	3000 00	125 00	None	None	None	Sparks
Mar. 25	18	3.45 p m			Slight						Brush
Mar. 29	24	12.45 p m	J. W. Manning		None	None	None	None	None	None	Sparks
Mar. 31	45	10.24 a m			Slight						Grass
Apr. 9	35	10.00 a m	Katherine Egbert		None	None	None	None	None	None	Chimney
Apr. 17	64	12.50 p m	W. A. Kitch		None	None	None	None	None	None	Unknown
Apr. 20	27				None	None	None	None	None	None	False
May 20	64	10.37 a m	L. G. Howard	F. H. Martin	None	None	None	None	None	None	Rats and Matches
May 23	15	4.10 p m	Caroline A. Brown	Wm. Shannon	250 00	500 00	250 00	150 00	None	None	Children and Match's
June 6	24	12.10 a m	Wendell Bancroft		None	None	None	None	None	None	Chimney
June 21	Still	3.25 p m	George Prescott		Slight		None				Lightning
June 21	62	3.07 p m	L. G. Howard		Slight		None				Lightning
July 4	68	12.26 a m			None	None	None	None	None	None	Grass
July 4	16	12.45 a m	Club House		None	None	None	None	None	None	Unknown
July 16	Still	1.00 p m	S. M. Davis		None	None	None	None	None	None	Chimney
Sept. 3	Still	8.00 p m	Frederick Bancroft		None	None	None	None	None	None	Chimney
Oct. 3	15	2.00 a m	Warren Parker Estate		600 00	500 00	500 00	None	None	None	Unknown
Oct. 4	33	2.10 p m									Grass
Oct. 6	32	2.00 p m									Brush
Nov. 3	32	5.55 p m	Isaac Wymann Estate	George Gregory	500 00	None	None	200 00	None	None	Unknown
Nov. 8	Still	7.30 p m	Rogers' Bakery		None	None	None	None	None	None	Chimney
Nov. 27	44	2.25 a m	Mrs. E. E. Perley	Waldon Black	1830 00	2500 00	1830 00	425 00	1000 00	425 00	Heater
Dec. 11	63	4.00 p m	Mrs. B. W. Symonds	Mrs. B. W. Symonds	5 00	3000 00	5 00	None	None	None	Sparks from Chimn'y
Dec. 28	64	5.55 p m	Town Reading	Fire Station	Unsettled						Chimney

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM

Reading, January 1, 1911

To the Honorable Board of Fire Engineers of the Reading Fire Department:

I submit the following report:—

There has been some old wire replaced by new.

There have been four new boxes installed:

Box 8—At Central Fire Station for out-of-town calls.

Box 14—At corner of Oak and Prospect St. Extension.

Box 21—Corner of Temple St. and Summer Ave.

Box 231—West St., north of Summer Ave.

The wire on North Main and John Sts. should be replaced by new.

LOCATION OF BOXES

8—In the Central Fire Station for out-of-town calls.

13—Corner Ash and Avon Sts.

14—Corner Oak St. and Prospect St. Extension.

15—Corner Walnut St. and Summer Avenue.

16—Main St., near South St.

17—Prescott St., near Arlington St.

18—Park Ave., corner Minot St.

21—Summer Ave., corner Temple St.

23—Corner Woburn and Temple Sts.

231—West St., north of Summer Ave.

24—Mineral St., corner Hancock St.

25—Prospect St., near King St.

26—Hose No. 2 House, Woburn St.

27—Summer Ave., south of Prescott St.

28—West St., near W. A. Bancroft's.

29—Corner of West and King Sts.

32—Franklin St., opposite second house from Grove St.

- 33—Lowell St., near McTernen Rubber Co. Works.
- 34—Corner Grove and Forest Sts.
- 35—Corner of Main and Locust Sts.
- 36—Corner of Bancroft Ave. and Locust St.
- 37—Main St., near Brooks Nichols'.
- 38—Corner of Main and Forest Sts.
- 39—Corner of Franklin and Main Sts.
- 41—Corner of Village and Green Sts.
- 42—Corner of John and Haven Sts.
- 44—Corner of Salem and Pearl Sts.
- 45—Corner of Salem and Belmont Sts.
- 46—Corner of Charles and Pearl Sts.
- 47—Corner of Haverhill and Charles Sts.
- 48—Pine St., near Salem St.
- 55—Reading Rubber Mills.
- 61—Corner of Main and Washington Sts.
- 62—Corner of Main and Haven Sts.
- 63—Woburn St., front of Congregational Church.
- 64—Central Fire Station.
- 65—Corner of Bancroft Ave. and Middlesex Ave.
- 67—Corner of High St. and Middlesex Ave.
- 68—Corner of Gould and Haven Sts.

LEONARD T. EAMES,

Superintendent of Fire Alarm.

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

To the Voters of the Town of Reading :

The work in the Tree Warden department this year has consisted of spraying for elm leaf beetle and trimming.

One large maple on the Common was removed.

In several places low hanging limbs were found which bore marks of contact with teams.

In several places more trimming should be done so that the full benefit from the electric lights may be obtained.

A contribution to this department of \$15 from the Reading Woman's Club is acknowledged.

I recommend an appropriation of \$500 for use in this department during the coming year.

I take this opportunity to thank those who have appreciated my endeavors or co-operated with me the past year.

G. A. HUBBARD

Tree Warden.

REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of Reading:

I have the honor of submitting to you the annual report of the Forest Warden for the year ending Dec. 31, 1910:

Number of requests for permits, 131.

Number of permits issued, 129.

HERBERT E. MCINTIRE,

Forest Warden.

REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens :

The Trustees beg leave to make the following report :

We have, to the best of our ability, carefully cared for the cemetery and trust whatever may have been done has met with your approval.

The land that was improved last season has been laid out into lots and properly bounded, and the large sale of such lots, as you will see by the financial part of this report, has amply paid for the expenditure. This, in time, will be the most beautiful part of the cemetery. It is quite necessary that some shade trees should be planted there, but we, as yet, have not been able to save the money from our regular appropriation for this purpose. Whenever we can, this will be done.

The blasts of many winters have so stained the Soldiers' Monument that many of the names thereon are scarcely legible. Several complaints have been made to us by members of the G. A. R., and we, as a Board, think it right and their due to have the matter remedied. Therefore, we ask for a special appropriation of \$150 for having the letters recut.

The Board have also voted to ask the Town for a sufficient sum from the reserve fund, raised from the sale of lots, to remove the ledge from that part of the land purchased from the Old South Society, fronting on Main street, so that it can be properly graded and made attractive instead of an excrescence on nature, which it now certainly is; and an Article will be found in the Town Warrant to that effect.

For the general care we ask \$1,100, the same as last year, although some bills had to lay over because the funds gave out. However, with strict economy we hope to cover the whole with the above amount.

Again we call the citizens' attention to the necessity of putting their lots in perpetual care, as so much better results can be obtained in that way. Many are so doing, and we are sure they will have no cause to regret it.

The Superintendent will be pleased to have any lot owner make known to him if there is any thing in regard to their lot which is not right, and he will endeavor to have it rectified.

Respectfully submitted by the Board of Trustees,

A. W. DANFORTH,
Superintendent and Secretary.

LAUREL HILL CEMETERY, DECEMBER 31, 1910

Appropriation	\$1,250 00
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RECEIVED

From Interest on Bequests	\$639 25
From labor H. Copeland lot	15 00

\$1,904 25

EXPENDED

For A. W. Danforth, Superintendent	\$75 00
For labor pay rolls	1,352 25
For boquet holders	9 00
For expenses, A. W. Danforth	5 50
For hardware, Francis Brothers	5 55
For lowering device, Edgerly & Bessom	60 00
For lawn trimmers, J. Breck	4 50

For loam, H. R. Johnson	\$10 00	
For labor, R. D. Clapp	2 15	
For dressing, J. Zwicker	5 00	
For painting signs, Dickinson & Son . .	18 00	
For painting signs, F. W. Danforth . .	2 00	
For posts, H. P. Smith	129 36	
For planting beds, W. D. Emery . .	116 75	
For stakes, O. P. Symonds	3 75	
For sign, W. D. Jones	10 80	
For Seeds, American Agricultural Chemical Co.	34 50	
For Survey Plans, J. A. Bancroft . .	16 15	
For supplies, F. Wallace	9 02	
For decoration, Reading Floral Co. . .	30 00	
For repairs, O. O. Ordway	3 35	
	<hr/>	\$1,902 63
Unexpended balance to 1911		1 62
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		\$1,904 25

CEMETERY SPECIAL ACCOUNT

RECEIVED

From sale of lots and graves to Decem- ber 31, 1910	\$1,785 00	
From interest on above	28 02	
	<hr/>	\$1,813 02

EXPENDED

For Cemetery Note	\$100 00	
For Interest on above Note	2 75	
	<hr/>	\$102 75
Balance to 1911		\$1,710 27

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honor to present the tenth annual report of the department of Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending Dec. 31, 1910 :

	CORRECT	ADJ.	CD.	TOTAL
No. of scales over 5,000 lbs. .	1	2		3
No. of scales under 5,000 lbs.	12	11	2	25
No. of small scales . . .	17	33		50
No. of computing scales . .	2	7	2	11
No. of pan scales . . .	4	7		11
No. of family scales . . .	1	3		4
No. of ice scales . . .	11			11
No. of balances . . .	5		2	7
No. of steelyards . . .	3			3
No. of milk measures . . .	6			6
No. of dry measures . . .	62	3	5	70
No. of wet measures . . .	31	5	1	37
No. of yard sticks . . .	7	4		11
No. of milk and cream jars .	3,281		2	3,283
No. of weights . . .	152	109		261

Money received for sealing, \$27.42.

During the year 1910 I have made 236 inspections in the different departments.

Coal re-weighed, five times.

There has been a decrease in the number of milk bottles sealed this year, owing to the fact that some of the manufacturers use the Massachusetts seal.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK W. PARKER,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF WIRES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

GENTLEMEN: I beg to submit herewith the following report as Inspector of Wires for the nine months ending December 31, 1910:

As this office was a new one it was necessary to outline some plan to enable the Inspector to keep in touch with the interior wiring for light and power which is constantly going on and blank forms were procured which were furnished to the electrical contractors so that whenever any interior wiring was to be done a report of same could be sent to the Inspector.

The contractors have been very faithful in reporting such work and while the work in general has been very satisfactory it has been necessary in some cases to have changes made in order that it might meet the requirements of the New England Insurance Exchange and the Municipal Light Department.

In several cases where the electric wiring was in an unsafe condition the property owners immediately had the conditions remedied as soon as their attention was called to the matter.

The Inspector has received from the electrical contractors during the nine months ending Dec. 31, 1910, 119 notices of work being done, and 92 inspections have been made.

While the work of the Inspector during the past has been principally confined to an oversight of the interior wiring, he feels that much can be done to improve the conditions of the poles and wires on the streets, and steps have

already been taken by the Municipal Light Department toward lessening the number of poles set in the streets by erecting one pole suitable for the requirements of all the wires.

This plan is one that is being adopted in the majority of cities and towns, and while it not only tends to improve the looks of the street where previously there may have been two or more pole lines, it also makes it possible to secure proper support and separation for the wires of the different companies, thereby lessening the liability of crossed wires and the attendant danger.

The New England Telephone & Telegraph Co. and the Boston & Northern Street Railway Co. have each signified their willingness to co-operate with the Town in this matter whenever the conditions will warrant any change in the existing pole lines, and it would seem that a continuance of this policy should in time tend to decrease the cost to the Town of the maintenance of its pole lines, aside from the added improvement in the appearance of the streets.

Yours respectfully,

ARTHUR G. SIAS,

Inspector of Wires.

REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Valuation of real estate

Buildings, excluding land	. \$2,998,875 00	
Land, excluding buildings	. 1,879,705 00	
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Total real estate	. .	\$4,878,580 00

Personal estate, excluding resi-		
dent National Bank stock	\$990,354 00	
Resident National Bank stock	27,950 00	
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Total personal estate	. .	\$1,018,304 00
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Total real and personal		
estate		\$5,896,884 00

Increase in real estate over 1909	\$334,730 00	
Increase in personal estate	. 107,725 00	
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Total increase in valuation		\$442,455 00
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Tax on real estate	\$96,109 80	
Tax on personal estate . .	20,061 27	
Tax on polls	3,426 00	
Moth tax on real estate . .	965 13	
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Total assessed April 1, 1910		\$120,562 20
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Tax assessed on polls since April 1, 1910	\$20 00
Additional supplementary tax assessed December 17, 1910, personal estate . .	1,596 50
Re-assessment and supple- mentary assessed tax on real estate	64 06
Street Railway Excise Tax on 11.964 miles in Reading .	2,615 11
Total assessed from all sources 1910	<hr/> \$124,857 87
Total assessed in 1909 . .	123,924 30
1910 tax in excess of 1909	<hr/> \$933 57
State Highway Tax	187 00
State Tax	8,085 00
Wellington Bridge Tax . . .	453 70
County Tax	5,607 21
Total	<hr/> \$14,332 91
Balance used for Town purposes	<hr/> \$110,524 96

Total number persons assessed on property . . .	1731
Total number persons assessed on polls only . . .	1006
Total number of polls April 1, 1910	1713
Total number of polls added since	10
Total number of polls assessed	1723
Increase of polls over 1909	30

Number of horses	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	359
Number of cows	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	392
Number of neat cattle	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	42
Number of sheep	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6
Number of swine	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	161
Number of fowls	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3951
Number of dwellings	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1353
Number of new dwellings	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19
Number of acres of land	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5734

MILLARD F. CHARLES,

MERRICK A. STONE,

ANSEL S. RICHARDS,

Assessors of Reading.

REPORT OF COLLECTOR

TOWN OF READING

IN ACCOUNT WITH H. M. VIALI, Collector

DR.	
To uncollected tax, 1907	\$175 90
To interest account, 1907	11 04
To amount paid after abatement	2 00
To uncollected tax, 1909	41,110 13
To additional assessment in 1910	18 60
To interest account, 1909	1,139 74
To committed list, 1910	120,562 20
To excise tax, 1910	2,615 11
To additional tax, 1910	68 27
To supplementary tax, 1910	1,610 29
To interest account, 1910	111 80
To tax certificates, 1910	3 00
To account redemption G. E. Rogers, 1907	56 29
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	\$167,484 37

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By Cash paid :

W. C. Mansfield, Treas., acct. 1907 tax	\$89 44
W. C. Mansfield, Treas., paid after abatement	2 00
W. C. Mansfield, Treas., 1909 tax	29,364 04
W. C. Mansfield, Treas., 1909, to be refunded	1 50
W. C. Mansfield, Treas., moth tax, 1909	318 00
W. C. Mansfield, Treas., 1910 tax	82,403 81
W. C. Mansfield, Treas., excise tax, 1910	2,615 11
W. C. Mansfield, Treas., moth tax, 1910	498 08
W. C. Mansfield, Treas., tax certificates	3 00
W. C. Mansfield, Treas., acct. G. E. Rogers	56 29

By abatement acct., 1907 tax	.	.	.	.	\$97 50
By abatement acct., 1909 tax	.	.	.	.	1,327 21
By abatement acct., 1910 tax	698 07
By uncollected taxes, 1909	11,257 72
By uncollected taxes, 1910	38,752 60
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					\$167,484 37

Respectfully submitted,

H. M. VIALI, Collector.

Dec. 31, 1910.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of Reading:

Your Board of Health herewith renders its annual report.

Cases of contagious diseases reported	68
Diphtheria 7	One death
Chicken Pox 2	No deaths
Measles 15	No deaths
Scarlet Fever 17	One death
Small Pox 27	No deaths
Deaths, exclusive of still births,	
from all causes	113
Still births	6
Males	57
Females	62

By months: January 13, February 10, March 11, April 3, May 10, June 13, July 11, August 10, September 11, October 10, November 10, December 7.

The epidemic of small pox which broke out January 11th was very unfortunate for the Town, as we did not expect it and so were entirely unprepared for it. On the whole, however, we feel that it could not have been managed very differently.

On January 20th a petition was received from about twenty-five citizens, asking us to discontinue using the house, corner of Green and High streets, as a pest house. With due respect for the feelings of the petitioners we could not see how they would be materially benefitted by such a move. To confiscate a house in the suburbs, put in the necessary furniture, hire nurses, furnish food, fuel and many

things which would have had to be burned in the end, would have cost the Town some three thousand dollars more than was paid out under existing conditions. Besides, the Town would have had on its hands an estate that would be worthless for any other purpose.

The expense was heavy, but, acting as we did under the advice of the State Inspector and others in authority, we have no regrets, other than those of all the citizens for the misfortune of having had to endure the scourge.

For the sanitary statistics see the report of the Inspector. The financial report will be found in the regular Town Report.

Most respectfully yours,

HERBERT B. HOWARD, M. D., Chairman,
J. H. CARLETON,

FREDERIC D. MERRILL, Secretary,
Board of Health.

REPORT OF PLUMBING INSPECTOR AND AGENT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

GENTLEMEN:— The work in the Health Department for the year ending December 31, 1910, was as follows:

Number of complaints investigated and adjusted .	43
(Requiring ninety-six calls) .	
No. of fumigations, exclusive of school houses .	46

The work in the Plumbing Department was:

Applications filed	102
Applications left over from 1909	4
Inspections and calls made	358
Fixtures set	404
Water closets	98
Bath tubs	56
Bowls	71
Sinks	91
Wash trays	73
Butlers' sinks	3
Urinals	5
Additions	4
Alterations	8
Repairs and ventilations	4
Cellar and barn drains	6
Drinking founts	1

House Drains:

Number laid	57
Number of feet	1,433
Inspections and calls made	79

Several inspections have been made at request of the Board, and defects remedied.

Thanking the Board, Secretary, my craft and citizens at large for their kind co-operation, I am

Yours truly,

GREENLEAF S. TUKEY,

Agent and Plumbing Inspector.

Respectfully submitted, Jan 1st, 1911.

TWENTY-FIRST
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
WATER COMMISSIONERS

For the Year ending December 31

1910



OFFICERS OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

Commissioners

HENRY R. JOHNSON, <i>Chairman</i>	.	Term expires 1913
EDGAR N. HUNT	. . . . .	Term expires 1912
ARCHER R. PRENTISS	. . . . .	Term expires 1911

Superintendent and Registrar

LEWIS M. BANCROFT

Engineer at Pumping Station

FRANK F. STROUT

Assistant Engineer

ALBION G. NICHOLS

OFFICE OF THE WATER BOARD

Room 2, Masonic Block

OFFICE HOURS

8.30 to 11 A. M., 2.30 to 4 P. M., except Saturday.

Saturday, 8.30 A. M. to 12 M., 7.30 to 9 P. M.

REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of Reading :—

The Board of Water Commissioners herewith submit their twenty-first annual report.

MAINTENANCE

Received rent		\$66 00
Fines and summons		6 40
Paid Pay Roll	\$1,588 57	
N. E Tel. & Tel. Co.	67 85	
Reading Custom Laundry, towels	5 30	
Reading Municipal Light Board	16 81	
Reading Masonic Temple Corp., rent	152 00	
C. W. Abbott, P. M., stamped envelopes	88 76	
Francis Bros.	65	
W. E. & J. F. Twombly, printing	18 25	
Thorp & Martin, stationery	2 95	
Union Safe Deposit Vaults	10 00	
Engineering Record	3 00	
Engineering News	5 00	
The Bristol Co., dials	1 66	
Geo. H. Atkinson Co.	20	
Cummings Express	80	
F. W. Barry, Beal & Co., cash book	1 25	
Car fares	9 20	
Batteries	75	
Hobbs, Warren Co., envelopes	40	
Addressograph Co., type	1 20	
Balance		1,902 20
	\$1,974 60	\$1,974 60

MAINTENANCE OF PUMPING STATION

Received rent of house . . .	\$180 00
Paid Pay Roll	\$1,378 40
E. C. Hanscom, teaming . . .	28 00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	71 60
Cummings Express	1 15
Hodge Boiler Works	8 05
Boston & Maine R. R., freight .	295 15
Reading Municipal Light Board .	25 56
Maryland Coal & Coke Co. . . .	63 09
Francis Brothers	11 10
Woburn Machine Co.	5 91
Walworth Manufacturing Co. . .	2 46
Harold L. Bond Co., tools . . .	3 95
Borthwick Brothers, teaming coal	84 46
H. N. Hartwell & Son, coal . . .	86 77
W. C. Cram, teaming coal . . .	23 71
The Bader Coal Co., coal . . .	611 31
Charles A. Clafin & Co., pump and packing	24 75
Eagle Oil & Supply Co., oil and packing	61 33
Chandler & Farquhar, tools . . .	11 23
H. W. Johns Manville Co. . . .	80
Asa Parker, teaming coal . . .	37 68
C. L. Martin Co., coal	135 67
E. E. Nichols, teaming coal . . .	56 60
Town of North Reading, taxes . .	1 50
Eastern Clay Goods Co., pipe . .	3 52
Wendell Bancroft & Co., drain pipe	24 90
John Stock, teaming coal . . .	11 57
A. E. Batchelder, teaming . . .	27 50
American Express Co.	50
The Ashton Valve Co., repairing safety valve	6 77

O. O. Ordway, repair tools . . .	\$1 50	
Geo. H. Atkinson Co., brooms . . .	1 35	
U. Holzer, portfolio	2 50	
Car fares	1 30	
The Fairbanks Co., valve discs . . .	1 33	
Balance		2,982 97
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	\$3,112 97	\$3,112 97

MAINTENANCE OF FILTERS

Paid Pay Roll	\$939 25	
Waldo Bros., lime	142 56	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight . . .	13 24	
Morss & Whyte, screen	1 80	
Ermer & Armend, chemicals	5 10	
Cummings Express	13 40	
F. W. Barry, Beal & Co.	28	
Francis Bros.	60	
J. A. & W. Bird & Co.	15 23	
Eagle Oil & Supply Co.	9 18	
Economy Lubricating Co.	5 00	
Reading Municipal Light Dept., power	206 60	
F. G. MacDonald, towels	25	
Whitall, Tatum Co.	1 91	
	<hr/>	\$1,354 40

MAINTENANCE OF METERS

Paid Pay Roll	\$229 50	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight . . .	65	
Cummings Express	3 00	
Reading Livery, team	2 00	
Francis Bros.	1 20	
Hersey Mfg. Co., repairs	7 70	
Union Water Meter Co., repairs . . .	12 75	

Thompson Meter Co., repairs	\$5 67	
National Meter Co., repairs	149 01	
F. W. Davis, team	7 50	
Boston Bolt & Iron Co.	2 25	
T. C. Fife, fittings	50	
Geo. H. Atkinson Co.	75	
Electric torches	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$423 98

MAINTENANCE OF SERVICE PIPES

Paid Pay Roll	\$33 50
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MAINTENANCE OF MAIN PIPE

Paid Pay Roll	\$27 00	
F. W. Davis, horse	2 25	
Eagle Oil and Supply Co.	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$30 25

INTEREST

Received interest on deposits	\$76 74	
Accrued interest on bonds sold	69 22	
Hydrant rent	5,370 00	
For water for drinking fountains	300 00	
For water for street sprinkling	500 00	
From receipts for water	1,449 04	
Paid interest on note	\$325 00	
Interest on bonds	7,440 00	
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	\$7,765 00	\$7,765 00

MAIN PIPE

Received for pipe laid	\$2,900 89
Paid E. C. Hanscom, teaming	67 76
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	11 02
Pay Roll	925 06

Antonio Michelini, laying pipe . .	\$804 90	
A. D. Gordon, rubber boots . .	31 75	
Builders' Iron Foundry, castings .	62 78	
Perrin, Seamans & Co., tools . .	6 40	
Cummings Express	30	
Charles Millar & Son Co., pipe . .	471 18	
Harold L. Bond Co., tools . .	8 63	
Boston Bolt & Iron Co., bolts . .	4 36	
Frank W. Davis, horse	74 00	
Walworth Mfg. Co., gate boxes . .	44 64	
Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., pig lead	135 38	
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., gates and hydrants	211 24	
American Express Co. . . .	1 00	
Francis Bros.	1 50	
Fred A. Houdlette & Son Co. (Inc.), pipe	1,422 19	
Ludlow Valve Mfg. Co. . . .	6 50	
O. O. Ordway, sharpening tools . .	16 69	
Geo. H. Atkinson, oil	1 10	
Car fares	1 25	
Balance		1,408 74
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	\$4,309 63	\$4,309 63

METERS

Paid Pay Roll	\$6 25	
Cummings Express	1 90	
H. Mueller Mfg. Co., fittings . .	16 10	
National Meter Co., meters . .	408 70	
Braman, Dow & Co., fittings . .	7 22	
American Express Co. . . .	2 15	
Pittsburg Meter Co., meters . .	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$492 32

SERVICE PIPES

Received for pipe laid		\$777 99
Paid Pay Roll	\$1,745 68	
Braman Dow & Co.	264 21	

Cummings Express . . .	9 75	
American Powder Mills . .	13 27	
Francis Brothers . . .	4 30	
Harold L. Bond Co., tools . .	37 55	
F. O. Dewey Co., lanterns . .	20 50	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight . .	9 68	
Walworth Manufacturing Co. . .	172 60	
Frank W. Davis, team . .	202 70	
H. Mueller Mfg. Co., fittings . .	20 24	
E. M. Dart Mfg. Co., fittings . .	55 20	
Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., lead pipe	5 45	
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., valves . .	17 32	
T. O. Fife, fittings . . .	8 48	
Priest, Page & Co., drill steel . .	6 37	
Lead Lined Iron Pipe Co., pipe . .	378 91	
A. B. Day, glass and setting . .	2 50	
Wendell Bancroft & Co., cement . .	65	
Eagle Oil & Supply Co., oil . .	5 71	
Tenney, Morse & Co., pipe . .	43 50	
American Express Co. . . .	5 10	
O. O. Ordway, sharpening tools . .	43 40	
Geo. H. Atkinson Co. . . .	9 17	
Car fares	75	
Boston Coupling Co., fittings . .	1 20	
Edson Mfg. Co.	35	
Balance		2,306 99
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	\$3,084 54	\$3,084 54

FILTER

Received for fittings . . .		\$1 50
Paid Pay Roll	\$220 32	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight . .	380 73	
Cummings Express	10 15	
Norwood Engineering Co., on con- tract	12,869 58	

H. R. Johnson, labor	\$9 73	
Reading Livery	2 50	
Borthwick Bros., team	5 00	
Boston Bolt & Iron Co., bolts .	5 98	
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe and fittings	72 85	
Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co., wiring	118 92	
Frank W. Davis, team	10 00	
Francis Bros.	3 28	
J. Alex LeFave, cement and labor	34 00	
Pettingill, Andrews Co., electric fittings	100 57	
Eagle Oil & Supply Co., shafting and belting	99 27	
Reading Municipal Light Board .	68 35	
H. W. Johns Manville Co., motor	64 80	
Water Works Equipment Co., castings	78 65	
Eastern Clay Goods Co., cement	26 85	
A. E. Batchelder, teaming . .	14 00	
Wendell Bancroft & Co., drain pipe	22 49	
Clapp & Leach, electric work .	115 14	
O. O. Ordway, iron work . . .	2 54	
F. G. MacDonald, cotton cloth .	60	
Car Fares	24 15	
American Express Co.	95	
Balance		14,359 90
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	\$14,361 40	\$14,361 40

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Cash balance from 1909	\$49 83
Interest on deposits	76 74
Accrued interest on bonds sold .	69 22

Hydrant rent	\$5,370 00	
Water for drinking fountains	300 00	
Water for street sprinkling	500 00	
Meter rates	14,788 71	
Fines and summons	6 40	
Rent	246 00	
Service pipe	777 99	
Main pipe	2,900 89	
Filter	1 50	
Bonds sold	14,270 34	
Paid interest on note		\$325 00
Interest on bonds		7,440 00
Maintenance		1,974 60
Pumping station, maintenance		3,112 97
Filter, maintenance		1,354 40
Service pipe, maintenance		33 50
Main pipe, maintenance		30 25
Meter, maintenance		423 98
Meters		492 32
Filters		14,361 40
Main pipe		4,309 63
Service pipe		3,084 54
Bonds		2,000 00
Cash on hand		415 03
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	\$39,357 62	\$39,357 62

SUMMARY OF COST OF PLANT

Reported last year	\$318,576 06
Main pipe	1,408 74
Service pipe	2,306 99
Meters	492 32
Filters	14,359 90
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	\$337,144 01

The Board recommends that \$5,550.00 be raised and appropriated for hydrant rental, that \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for water for drinking fountains, and that \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for water for street sprinkling.

The interest payable the current year amounts to \$7,625.00, as follows:

\$179,000 for one year	.	.	\$7,160.00
\$7,000 for six months	.		140.00
\$10,000 for one year	.	.	325.00
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			\$7,625.00

The new filters are practically completed and have been in use since early in April. The filter consists of three rectangular concrete tanks for holding the filtering material. Water for the filters is supplied by a Platt Iron Works Power Pump driven by an electric motor. An air compressor and a rotary pump are used for washing the filters, both driven by electric motors, power being supplied from the Electric Light plant.

HENRY R. JOHNSON,
EDGAR N. HUNT,
ARCHER R. PRENTISS,
Water Commissioners.

REPORT OF WATER REGISTRAR

Amount of water bills rendered in 1910		\$15,190 22
Amount collected and paid Treasurer	\$14,426 34	
Amount uncollected	730 23	
Amount abated	33 65	
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	\$15,190 22	\$15,190 22

Amount of 1908 bills uncollected		\$233 29
Amount of 1909 bills uncollected		510 91
Amount collected and paid Treasurer	\$362 37	
Amount uncollected	195 94	
Amount abated	185 89	
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	\$744 20	\$744 20

Amount of service pipe bills rendered in 1910		\$791 17
Amount of service pipe bills rendered in previous years		228 09
Amount collected and paid Treasurer	\$777 99	
Amount uncollected	241 27	
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	\$1,019 26	\$1,019 26

LEWIS M. BANCROFT,
Registrar.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Reading Water Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN: The twenty-first annual report of the Superintendent is submitted for the year ending December 31, 1910.

The extension of mains has been three hundred and sixty-one feet of eight-inch pipe, and sixteen hundred and sixty-four feet of six-inch pipe, as follows: John street, 361 feet of eight-inch and 352 feet of six inch; Village street, 45 feet of six inch; Scotland road, 170 feet of six inch; Prospect street, 227 feet of six inch; Howard street, 871 feet of six-inch pipe. One hydrant was set on Howard street and two on John street and one on the property of the Reading Rubber Manufacturing Co. The Boston & Northern Street Railway Co. have set two hydrants on their property on John street.

There have been no leaks in the main pipes during the year. All hydrants have been inspected and kept in repair.

SERVICE PIPES

There have been fifty-four services put in and three discontinued during the year, making thirteen hundred and ninety-five in the system. Fifteen service leaks have been repaired, two caused by electrolytic action and thirteen by corrosion.

The following table will show amount of service pipe in use :

	6 Inch Cast Iron	1½ Inch Galvanized	1½ Inch Enamelled	1½ Inch Brass	1½ Inch Galvanized	1 Inch Galvanized	1½ Inch Lead Lined	1 Inch Lead Lined	1½ Inch Lead Lined	1 Inch Cement Lined	1½ Inch Cement Lined	2 Inch Galvanized	1½ Inch Galvanized	1½ Inch Lead
Owned by the Town	.....	433	33.7	30.1	18647.9	229.7	30.8	887.2	24837.7	367.1	9889.8	1619.7	1727.4	.....
Owned by individuals	414	591	123.0	66.0	2027.7	1202.7	89.4	73.0	26586.3	78.0	12431.2	353.6	2337.2	53.0
Total	414	1074	156.7	96.1	20675.6	1432.4	120.2	960.2	51424.0	445.1	22321.0	1973.3	4064.6	53.0

The following kinds and sizes of meters are in use :

No.	NAME	SIZES					
		2 in.	1½ in.	1¼ in.	1 in.	¾ in.	½ in.
83	Crown	3	1	.....	2	1	76
757	Nash .....	.....	6	.....	5	3	743
197	Empire	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	196
1	Gem	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
39	Lambert .....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	37
10	Thompson .....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	9
6	Worthington Disc .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
118	Hersey Disc	1	7	.....	6	.....	104
2	Neptune .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
9	Union	3	1	.....	1	.....	4
6	King .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
28	Columbia .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28
1	Niagara .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
3	Keystone .....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....
1260		9	15	3	17	4	1212

YEARLY RECORD OF PUMPING SERVICE

FROM JAN. 1, 1910, TO JAN. 1, 1911

MONTH	No. Days	Hrs.	Min.	Gallons Pumped	Total Head	Pounds Coal	Rain- fall
January	31	197	15	5,766,410	219	56,827	4.54
February	28	206	15	5,209,656	.....	58,793	3.14
March	31	242	15	5,490,144	.....	61,419	1.58
April ..	30	199	15	5,546,179	.....	43,194	2.32
May	31	193	45	5,946,949	.....	38,281	1.19
June	30	203	45	6,246,498	.....	36,655	4.36
July	31	297	45	9,371,459	.....	50,916	1.98
August	31	234	15	7,291,542	.....	40,918	2.61
September	30	182	..	5,785,486	.....	33,802	2.45
October	31	207	..	6,466,973	.....	37,838	1.48
November	30	180	45	5,703,815	.....	36,550	4.30
December	31	191	45	6,196,625	.....	41,693	1.92
	365	2,536	00	74,820,836	219	536,886	31.87

TABLE SHOWING CONSUMPTION IN GALLONS FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES, 1910

Domestic use, manufacturing and trade purposes, metered	47,109,965
Domestic use, unmetered (estimated)	2,000,000
Drinking fountains (estimated)	7,199,950
Street sprinkling (estimated)	7,500,000
Total accounted for	63,809,915
Amount unaccounted for	11,010,921
Total pumped	74,820,836
Percentage of water pumped accounted for . . . . .	.86
Percentage of water pumped unaccounted for . . . . .	.14
Percentage of water pumped metered . . . . .	.62

COST OF MAINTENANCE AND REVENUE

	Amount	Cost per 1000 gallons pumped
Interest on bonds . . .	\$7,765 00	.103
Management and repairs . .	2,389 93	.032
Pumping station maintenance .	2,932 97	.039
Filter maintenance . . .	1,354 40	.018
		Received per 1000 gallons pumped
Receipts from water takers .	\$14,788 71	.1976
Total receipts . . .	21,358 57	.2854

Table showing amount of rain and melted snow for the year ending December 31, 1910:

Day of Month	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Day of Month
1			.72			.07							1
2			.10		.01				.25	.01			2
3			.09								.57		3
4									.77				4
5	1.17				.07			.69	.26		2.14		5
6	.42					.85			.15				6
7	.13					.08			.13			.21	7
8			.54							.29			8
9		.22			.20								9
10				.23		1.22				.05			10
11						.47		.58			.30		11
12		1.10		.15		.15		.02					12
13		.11				.15	.04						13
14									.10		.01		14
15			.06										15
16	.91				.16			.43		.13		.09	16
17						.79	.34						17
18	.20	1.02											18
19				.60	.25			.83	.05			.16	19
20									.04				20
21		.63	.07		.12				.27			.14	21
22	.65			.50		.33					.05		22
23										.68			23
24												.86	24
25						.14	.64		.11		.16	.35	25
26	.42			.39				.06	.08	.19	.01		26
27	.06			.34								.01	27
28		.06			.07	.11	.27		.24	.13			28
29	.53											.06	29
30				.11			.65				1.06	.04	30
31	.05				.31		.04						31
	4.54	3.14	1.58	2.32	1.19	4.36	1.98	2.61	2.45	1.48	4.30	1.92	

The average rainfall for Massachusetts is 45.22 inches. The rainfall at the Reading Pumping Station was 31.87 inches, making a deficiency of 13.35 inches. There was an excess of rainfall in January, June and November of 2.15 inches, and a deficiency in the other nine months of 15.50 inches. The year 1901 was the last in which the rainfall at our pumping station was up to the average for the state.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1910

In form recommended by the New England Water Works
Association

READING WATER WORKS

READING, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS

GENERAL STATISTICS

Population by Census of 1910, 5,818.

Date of construction, 1890 and 1891.

By whom owned, Town of Reading.

Source of supply, filter gallery.

Mode of supply (whether gravity or pumping), pumping.

PUMPING STATISTICS

1. Builders of Pumping Machinery, Geo. F. Blake Mfg. Co.
and Platt Iron Works.

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|--|
| 2. Description of
fuel used | { | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>a</i> Kind, coal. <i>b</i> Brand of coal, New River. <i>c</i> Average price of coal per gross
ton, delivered, \$5.05. <i>d</i> Percentage of ash, <i>e</i> Wood, price per cord, \$ |
|--------------------------------|---|--|

3. Coal consumed for the year, 536,886 lbs.

4. [Pounds of wood consumed] divided by three equals
equivalent amount of coal, lbs.

- 4*a*. Amount of other fuel used,

5. Total equivalent coal consumed for the year equals (3)
plus (4), lbs.

6. Total pumpage for the year, 74,820,836 gallons, with allowance for slip.
7. Average static head against which pumps work, 219 ft.
8. Average dynamic head against which pumps work, 240 feet.
9. Number of gallons pumped per pound of equivalent coal (5), 137.5.
10. Duty equal $\frac{\text{gallons pumped (6)} \times 8.34 \text{ (lbs.)} \times 100 \times \text{dynamic head (8)}}{\text{Total fuel consumed (5)}}$ equals 28,424,000.
Cost of pumping, figured on pumping station expenses, viz:
 \$2,932.97.
11. Per million gallons pumped, \$39.21.
12. Per million gallons raised one foot (dynamic) \$0.163.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES	
<i>Balance brought forward:</i>		<i>Water Works Maintenance:</i>	
(a) From ordinary (maintenance) receipts	\$49 83	AA. Operation (management and repairs)	\$6,929 70
(b) From extraordinary receipts (bonds, etc.)		BB. Special:	\$6,929 70
Total	\$49 83	CC. Total Maintenance	7,765 00
		DD. Interest on bonds	14,694 70
		EE. Payment of bonds	2,000 00
<i>From Water Rates:</i>		<i>Water Works Construction:</i>	
A. Fixture rates		GG. Extension of mains	4,309 63
B. Meter rates	\$14,788 71	HH. Extension of services	3,084 54
C. Total from consumers	14,788 71	II. Extension of meters	492 32
D. For hydrants	5,370 00	JJ. Special:	
E. For fountains	300 00	Filters	14,361 40
F. For street watering	550 00	KK. Total construction	22,247 89
J. Total from municipal departments	6,170 00	MM. Balance:	
L. From bond issue	14,270 34	(aa) Ordinary	415 03
M. From other sources:		Total balance	415 03
Rent, interest, etc.	399 86		
Main and service pipes	3,678 88		
Total	\$39,357 62		
N. Total		N. Total	\$39,357 62

DISPOSITION OF BALANCE — CARRIED TO NEW ACCOUNT

O. Net cost of works to date	337,144 01
P. Bonded debt at date	196,000 00
Q. Value of Sinking Fund at date.	
R. Average rate of interest at 4 per cent.	

STATISTICS OF CONSUMPTION OF WATER

1. Estimated total population at date, 5,818.
2. Estimated population on lines of pipe, 5,760.
3. Estimated population supplied, 5,500.
4. Total consumption for the year, 74,820,836 gallons.
5. Passed through meters, 47,109,965 gallons.
6. Percentage of consumption metered, 63.
7. Average daily consumption, 204,988 gallons.
8. Gallons per day to each inhabitant, 35.2.
9. Gallons per day to each consumer, 37.3.
10. Gallons per day to each tap, 147.
11. Cost of supplying water, per million gallons, figured on total maintenance (item C C), \$92.61.
12. Total cost of supplying water, per million gallons, figured on total maintenance plus interest on bonds, \$196.40.

STATISTICS RELATING TO DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM
MAINS

1. Kind of pipe, cast iron.
2. Sizes, from 6 inch to 12 inch.
3. Extended, 2,025 feet during year.
4. Discontinued, 0 feet during year.
5. Total now in use, 31,663 miles.
6. Cost of repairs per mile, \$0.95.
7. Number of leaks per mile, 0.
8. Length of pipes less than 4 inches diameter, 0 miles.
9. Number of hydrants added during year (public and private), 6.
10. Number of hydrants (public and private) now in use, 185.
11. Number of stop gates added during year, 4.
12. Number of stop gates now in use, 284.
13. Number of stop gates smaller than 4-inch, 0.
14. Number of blow-offs, 14.
15. Range of pressure on mains, 63 lbs. to 78 lbs.

SERVICES

16. Kind of pipe, cast iron, lead and cement-lined.
17. Sizes, 3-4 to 6 inches.
18. Extended, 5460.7 feet.
19. Discontinued, 339 feet.
20. Total now in use, 19.7837 miles.
21. Number of service taps added during year, 54.
22. Number now in use, 1,395.
23. Average length of service, feet.
24. Average cost of service for the year, \$57.11.
25. Number of meters added, 18.
26. Number now in use, 1,260.
27. Percentage of services metered,
28. Percentage of receipts from metered water (B divided
by C),
29. Number of motors and elevators added, 0.
30. Number now in use, 0.

LEWIS M. BANCROFT,
Superintendent.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Electric Light Commissioners

For the Year Ending December 31

1910

OFFICERS OF THE ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER DEPARTMENT

Commissioners

GEORGE L. FLINT, Chairman	.	Term expires 1912
JAMES M. MAXWELL, JR., Secretary	.	Term expires 1911
ELMER H. ROBINSON	.	Term expires 1913

Manager

ARTHUR G. SIAS

OFFICE: Room 9, Masonic Block

CASH ACCOUNT, 1910

DR.

January 1, 1910, to balance . . .	\$104 32
To proceeds of note authorized Nov. 30, 1909	1,800 00
To appropriation for street lighting	10,000 00
To appropriation for additional arc lamps	270 00
To appropriation for North Reading extension	12,000 00
To receipts from customers . . .	27,232 57
To interest received on deposits . .	52 91
To receipts from pole rentals . . .	258 42
To receipts from sale of steam . . .	193 06
To sundry receipts	150 61
To petty cash	100 00

 \$52,161 89

CR.

By cash paid for the following accounts :

Real estate	\$18 01
Steam plant	185 20
Lines	424 46
Meters	994 87
Transformers	15 34
Extension of power lines . . .	657 25
Lynnfield extension	404 73
North Reading extension . . .	10,758 84
Fuel	3,549 05
Oil and waste	139 86
Water	27 62
Station wages	5,294 18
Repair of real estate	178 18
Repair of steam plant	413 43
Repair of electric plant	1 93
Station tools and appliances . .	142 02

Care of lights and meters	\$424 64	
Repair of lines and lamps	1,214 75	
Carbons	65 96	
Incandescent lamps	911 15	
Globes	25 78	
Distribution tools and appliances	52 22	
General salaries	2,148 20	
Board expenses	3 00	
General office expenses	549 40	
Rent of office	127 50	
Insurance	846 26	
Repair of meters	34 85	
Interest	2,416 00	
Bonds	3,000 00	
Notes	1,000 00	
Stable expense	352 15	
Line and jobbing material	3,606 55	
Rent of poles	61 75	
Accounts payable	11,795 67	
Petty cash	100 00	
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Total expenditures	\$51,940 80	
Balance on hand	221 09	
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		\$52,161 89

OPERATIONS FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1910

EXPENSE	
For Manufacture :	
Fuel	\$6,052 73
Oil and waste	249 73
Water	30 62
Station wages	5,294 18
Repair of real estate	215 18

Repair of steam plant . . .	\$1,207 24	
Repair of electric plant . . .	6 30	
Station tools and appliances . . .	172 59	
	<hr/>	\$13,228 57

For Distribution :

Care of lights and meters . . .	\$424 64	
Repair of lines	1,806 92	
Carbons	120 23	
Incandescent lamps	677 90	
Globes	73 98	
Distribution tools and ap- pliances	109 79	
Repair of meters	58 30	
	<hr/>	\$3,271 76

For Miscellaneous Expenses :

General salaries	\$2,148 20	
Board expenses	3 00	
Commissioners' salaries	225 00	
General office expenses	660 79	
Rent of office	140 00	
Insurance	969 44	
Stable expense	282 89	
	<hr/>	\$4,429 32

\$20,929 65Gain in manufacturing

4,997 64

\$25,927 29

INCOME

Commercial light, less discounts . . .	\$6,440 13
Domestic light, less discounts . . .	13,874 09
Power for motors	2,508 52
Power for water works	236 20
Power sold to Wakefield	2,221 90

Light for municipal buildings	\$388 03	
Steam sold	61 75	
Rent of poles	196 67	
	<hr/>	\$25,927 29

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

DR.

Deficit January 1, 1910	\$38,990 55	
Interest paid	2,535 75	
Depreciation	3,556 00	
	<hr/>	\$45,082 30

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Appropriation for interest	\$2,416 75	
Appropriation for depreciation	3,556 00	
Appropriation for maintenance	27 25	
Appropriation for Commissioners' salaries	225 00	
Jobbing income	293 55	
Interest on bank balances	52 91	
Gain in manufacturing	4,997 64	
	<hr/>	\$11,569 10
Deficit December 31, 1910		33,513 20
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		\$45,082 30

STATEMENT, DECEMBER 31, 1910

ASSETS

Real estate	\$11,526 59
Steam plant	11,241 46
Electric plant	12,079 95
Lines	22,136 07
Incandescent street lamp fixtures	372 80
Arc lamps	5,122 17
Meters	8,726 28

Transformers	\$6,262 09	
North Reading extension . . .	12,365 86	
Cash in town treasury	221 09	
Cash in Mechanics Savings Bank (customers' deposits) . . .	772 13	
Accounts receivable (manufactur- ing)	5,459 12	
Sundry accounts receivable . .	66 57	
Inventory (supplies on hand) .	8,870 57	
Profit and loss deficit	33,513 20	
	<hr/>	\$138,735 95

LIABILITIES

Bonds outstanding	\$51,000 00	
Appropriation for bond payments	25,000 00	
Appropriation for note payments	19,500 00	
Appropriation for construction .	20,915 04	
Overdraft construction	3,211 64	
Notes payable	15,300 00	
Interest accrued, not due . . .	702 25	
Customers' deposits	772 13	
Accounts payable, construction .	213 80	
Accounts payable, maintenance .	2,121 09	
	<hr/>	\$138,735 95

EXTENSION OF POWER LINES TO THE PUMPING
STATION

Appropriation Nov. 30, 1909 . . .	\$1,800 00	
Expenditures	1,623 50	
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Balance	\$176 50	
Used for installation of additional Tungsten street lights	56 62	
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Unexpended balance	\$119 88	

ADDITIONAL ARC STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation		\$270 00	
Expenditures		193 93	
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Balance		\$76 07	
Used for installation of additional Tungsten street lights . . .	\$76 07		
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	\$76 07	\$76 07	

ADDITIONAL TUNGSTEN STREET LIGHTS

Appropriated from balance of appropriation for extension of power lines		\$56 62	
From balance of appropriation for additional arc lights . . .		76 07	
From depreciation cash . . .		353 30	
			<hr/>
Total appropriated		\$485 99	
Expenditures	\$485 99		
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	\$485 99	\$485 99	

NORTH READING EXTENSION

Appropriation		\$12,000 00	
Expenditures	\$12,152 06		
Accounts payable	213 80		
	<hr/>	12,365 86	
		<hr/>	
Overdraft		\$365 86	

There are sundry credits to be applied to this account upon the completion of the lines amounting to approximately \$1,000.00.

LYNNFIELD EXTENSION

Total amount expended to Dec. 31,	
1910	\$3,450 90
Total income to Dec. 31, 1910	759 48

Number of customers 30, lamps connected 613, motors connected 4.

During the past year we have installed 90 new services with a connected load of 2,272 lamps and 59 horse-power in motors.

The present number of customers is 738, number of lamps connected approximately 16,000 and total horse-power in motors 116 1-2.

We have installed on the street light circuits during the past year 40 sixty candle-power Tungsten Series lamps and two arc lamps, and have discontinued three arc lamps which have been replaced by the Tungsten lamps.

The street light circuit in the center of the town, which burns every night, now has 34 arcs and 18 incandescents and has burned a total of 3,847 hours, the remaining three circuits consisting of 104 arcs and 26 incandescents having burned a total of 3,227 hours.

The total output at the switchboard was 698,597 kilowatt hours. The output on the street light circuits was 227,100 kilowatt hours, on the commercial circuits 381,276 and on the Wakefield line 90,221. Kilowatt hours sold to customers 300,861, used at station and office 16,269, unaccounted for 154,367.

Acting under authority of the vote authorizing the extension of the lines to the Town of North Reading we entered into a contract to furnish and maintain for a period of five years one hundred 32 candle-power incandescent street lights, 87 of which have been connected and are in service at this time. Since the contract was signed we have received an

order to install 22 additional lights under the terms of the contract. The commercial service has not yet been connected but will be within a few days, and about one-half of the prospective customers will undoubtedly be connected with the service during the coming month.

The installation of Tungsten lamps on our streets during the past year has apparently met with the approval of the citizens, and the Board recommends that the system be extended the coming year.

CONSTRUCTION

Cost of plant as shown in Town Report, Dec.

31, 1909	\$118,545 70
Real estate	18 01
Steam plant	185 20
Lines	2,643 20
Incandescent street lamp fixtures	338 72
Meters	1,481 14
Transformers	414 79
North Reading extension	12,365 86

Cost of plant Dec. 31, 1910 \$135,992 62

The Manager submits the following estimates for 1911 in accordance with the law:

For operation, maintenance and repairs	\$23,000 00
Interest	2,728 25
Depreciation	4,079 78
Bond payments	3,000 00
Note payments	1,500 00
Total	\$34,308 03
Estimated income from consumers	27,508 03
Balance	\$6,800 00
For new construction	2,200 00
Total to be appropriated	\$9,000 00

The following table shows the earnings of light and power for five years:

LIGHTS

	1906	1907	1908	1909	1910
Total	\$15,737 45	\$18,619 16	\$19,917 21	\$21,217 40	\$23,876 50
Discounts	1,867 39	2,349 28	2,602 77	2,863 45	3,174 25
Net	\$13,870 06	\$16,269 88	\$17,314 44	\$18,353 95	\$20,702 25

POWER

	1906	1907	1908	1909	1910
Total	\$434 41	\$1,787 82	\$2,051 39	\$3,730 84	\$4,984 78
Discounts	\$1 75	58	14 50	15 63	18 16
Net	\$432 66	\$1,787 24	\$2,036 89	\$3,715 21	\$4,966 62

NET TOTAL LIGHT AND POWER

	1906	1907	1908	1909	1910
	\$14,302 72	\$18,057 12	\$19,351 33	\$22,069 16	\$25,668 87

GEORGE L. FLINT,
 JAMES M. MAXWELL, JR.,
 ELMER H. ROBINSON,
 Municipal Light Board.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
School Committee



[Photo by C. L. Scott, Reading]
THE NEW LOWELL STREET SCHOOL HOUSE

TOWN OF READING
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1910

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

WALTER S. PARKER, Chairman, Walnut St.	Term expires 1911
HOWARD W. POOR, Mt. Vernon St.	Term expires 1911
EDWIN L. HUTCHINSON, Lowell St.	Term expires 1912
CHARLES A. LORING, Summer Ave.	Term expires 1912
MRS. IDA YOUNG, Woburn St.	Term expires 1913
JESSE W. MORTON, Woburn St.	Term expires 1913

Superintendent of Schools and Secretary of School Committee

HARRY T. WATKINS

Truant Officer

WILLIAM KIDDER

Medical Inspector

E. DALTON RICHMOND, M. D.

ORGANIZATION OF COMMITTEE

WALTER S. PARKER, Chairman

HARRY T. WATKINS, Secretary

Sub-Committees

FINANCES AND ACCOUNTS

W. S. Parker

H. W. Poor

E. L. Hutchinson

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Jesse W. Morton

Mrs. Young

W. S. Parker

SCHOOL HOUSES AND PROPERTY

C. A. Loring

H. W. Poor

E. L. Hutchinson

RULES AND REGULATIONS

E. L. Hutchinson

C. A. Loring

H. W. Poor

TEACHERS AND SALARIES

W. S. Parker

H. W. Poor

Jesse W. Morton

MUSIC AND DRAWING

Mrs. Young

C. A. Loring

Jesse W. Morton

COURSE OF STUDY

H. W. Poor

Mrs. Young

Jesse W. Morton

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The School Committee submits the following report for the year ending Feb. 28, 1911:

We desire to call the attention of all citizens to the various reports which are included in the school report. The financial report is given in full detail and clearly indicates all expenditures.

The Superintendent has written somewhat in detail in regard to several changes and improvements which have been brought about in the management of the schools. We are pleased to report that we have suffered less than usual on account of resignation of teachers. The past year has been a very prosperous one and the earnest, hopeful attitude of the teachers toward their work betokens that good work has been accomplished.

The delightful reports written by the teachers concerning the different phases of school life have been very interesting. Teachers and pupils who exhibit such a cheerful state of mind must be doing efficient work.

We have recently united the duties of Superintendent and Principal of the High School. It has worked to the advantage of both positions. The office of the Superintendent is in the High School building. His services are at our command every day in the week. He is within immediate call of all teachers and pupils in the High School, and the other schools of the town are so located that he can easily visit them when necessary.

In many ways the conditions of school management in Reading are ideal. The size of the town, the class of pupils attending the schools together with the co-operation of the parents and the interest exhibited by many of the citizens who have no children in the schools, all tend to make the work interesting and profitable.

While good progress has been made in the past we are looking forward to still greater progress in the future.

In the language of Henry Van Dyke, "We are satisfied with our possessions but not content with ourselves until we have made the best of them." Education is a growth, a development, an enlargement from within, a progression. Therefore, if our education is vital it must be alive, and if it is alive it must continually advance. We must do something better next year than we have done this year. It is not wise to remain stationary.

The Committee has called attention at different times in the past to the need of doing something in the way of providing instruction in Domestic Science.

The girls are not having their fair share of the kind of training which is demanded, when we consider the fact that a large proportion of these young women will eventually preside over homes of their own.

If the outlook of the future for these girls is in the direction which we have indicated then it is a common sense question for us to ask, What are we doing in the schools to directly and efficiently prepare them for their life work?

Is the course of study so arranged and are the subjects of study selected with this end in view? It is generally conceded by thoughtful persons that some change might be made to improve conditions for the girls. Many school systems have added something in the way of Domestic Science and Household Practical Arts.

Is there a single person in Reading who would offer any objection to any movement being made that would tend towards the elevation of the home and to dignify and to magnify the position of wife and mother?

Is it too much to say that it strikes at the very root and foundation of all civilized life and all forms of government.

There is the side of physical culture, of right bodily training, of building up a fine physique. Then there is the

side of the chemistry of food and of food values. The agricultural colleges have been doing much in the direction of balanced rations for animals, yet but very little has been done in the schools in the direction of a more rational way of living.

The simple life is, after all, the best life, the most satisfaction is derived from the joys of home life, the best contribution to the social whole is made by the happy family. It is not the intention of the Committee to enter upon any elaborate and costly plan of school work, but it is our desire to do something that will assist the young women to a more efficient life.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Your attention is solicited to the full report on the new building on Lowell street described in the architects' report. It is a structure well adapted for the purpose for which it was built.

The terms of Howard W. Poor and Walter S. Parker expire at the ensuing town meeting.

APPROPRIATIONS

We ask for the same amount that we asked for last year for the expenses of the school department, namely: \$30,000 for regular school expenses and \$5,000 for school incidentals.

Adopted in School Committee, Feb. 4, 1910.

WALTER S. PARKER, Chairman.

CHARLES A. LORING.

JESSE W. MORTON.

EDWIN L. HUTCHINSON.

MRS. IDA YOUNG.

HOWARD W. POOR.

HARRY T. WATKINS, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

To the School Committee of the Town of Reading:

My second annual report, the eighteenth in the series, is herewith offered for your consideration.

It is a pleasure to me to report to you that those most intimately associated with the schools agree that the year just closed has been one of unusual efficiency, harmony and profit, and I feel that much has been done which, though not necessarily showing upon the surface, has added to the effectiveness of the work, not only this year but for the future.

It has been my aim to spend the money entrusted to the school authorities upon those things which really count for success and which are for the greatest good to the greatest number of students. During the past year the Committee, very wisely I think, voted to increase the salaries of some of the grade teachers who, to my mind, have been conspicuously underpaid in the past. The increase which, in the aggregate amounted to a little over five hundred dollars per year, was apportioned to the lowest paid teachers on the principle that, as this was a beginning along the line of an increase in salaries in the grade teachers, those who needed it most should get it first.

The results of this measure were very evident at the opening of schools in September. In my report of last year I recorded fifteen changes in the teaching corps, but when school opened in September of 1910 there were only two new faces in the grades and two in the High School, although a few changes occurred later on in the fall term. The teachers who have left us, together with the places to which they have gone, are indicated below in concise form.

LEFT SERVICE FROM	SCHOOL	FOR	APPOINTED	FROM
Abbie M. Croscup	Highland	Beverly	Grace Putnam	Harvard, Mass.
Annie L. Donovan	Centre	Boston	May Foley	Pembroke, Mass.
Mary V. Long	Centre	Brockton	Rose Fuller	Wakefield, Mass.
Miriam P. Clark	Union	Medford	Hazel L. Wilcox	Wheelock Kindergrt'n
Julia M. Noyes	Chestnut	Study	Isabelle Cordiner	Barre, Vt.
Mary P. Gordon	High	Hartford, Ct.	Henrietta Sperry	Smith College
Mabel A. Hayes	High	Not teaching	Dorothy Dey	Wellesley College
Helen A. Taff	High	Cambridge	S. Eleanor Byorkman	Tufts College
Hazel Wilcox	Union St.	Not teaching	Julia M. Noyes	Bridgewater Normal

From this as well as similar data in the past, a notable observation may be made, viz.: that Reading is able to select teachers of such quality as to be sought after by the school authorities of the largest cities, and I am assured that many of the teachers on the present staff have refused to consider situations of greater remuneration in larger places mainly because of their satisfaction with their treatment by the Committee, their pleasant relations with their fellow workers and the class of children with whom they come in contact in this community. Most of these, our best and most experienced teachers whose value grows greater year by year, could be retained almost indefinitely by the establishment of a schedule of salaries, not necessarily entailing a material increase just now, but establishing a maximum based upon term of service to which they could look forward.

As this report is to be read mainly by parents and residents of this town interested in all that pertains to the schools, it would seem appropriate, even at the expense of some space, to give in detail something of the material improvements, out of the ordinary, which have been brought about during the past year.

REPAIRS

At the Highland School, the walls of the whole lower corridor, the Principal's office and teachers' room, together with three class rooms, have been re-tinted and are rendered

especially attractive thereby. As nothing of that sort has been done since the building was built it was much needed and the change is marked. Teachers' desks, chairs and tables, also furniture in the Principal's office and teachers' room have been refinished for the first time in ten years. The two dark rooms on the east side, which on dark days were hardly usable except with danger to the eyesight of the pupils, have been fitted with powerful Tungsten lights; this has also been done in the Manual Training room, which being in the basement was equally faulty in its lighting. The unsightly ash dump on the southeast end of the grounds has been graded and seeded down, much to the advantage of the school grounds. Borders will be laid out in the spring and set with shrubs taken from the surplus in the other beds, thus completing the scheme of lawn and shrubbery already so attractive around the Highland Building.

At the Centre School the building has been completely shingled, a covered passage built to the outbuildings for the protection of the pupils in stormy weather. Allen adjustable shades here and at the Union St. building have replaced the inconvenient and unsanitary inside blinds, teachers' desks have been refinished, electric lights installed in the north room, repairs made in the corridors and on the heating plant ensuring the easy heating of all parts of the buildings in all weathers; blackboards in Centre, Union, Prospect, and Chestnut schools refinished. New flags have been furnished to all buildings except the High school, and sanitary drinking fountains have been installed everywhere throughout the school buildings.

At the Union St. building practically the same repairs have been made as at the Centre, with the exception of shingling the building.

A notable improvement has been made at Prospect St., which, it is believed, will be appreciated by the residents of that section. The grounds about the building have been ploughed up, seeded down and laid out by a landscape

gardener with shrubs, borders and small trees, so that in time it should become a spot of great beauty. It is expected that less will have to be done by way of repairs next year, with the exception of two important items, the painting of the Centre School, which, in its location on the Square is so conspicuous to people passing through town, and the reconcreting of the Union St. yard.

TEXT BOOKS

I found the lower grades in sore need of new text books throughout, especially in reading, arithmetic and language. In a report made to the Committee last year it was found that an average of about 65 per cent. of the Reading books were in poor condition. This condition no longer prevails, all the grades having been supplied with new, up-to-date reading books, arithmetics and language texts. There are now practically no old and much worn books in the hands of the children.

LOWELL STREET BUILDING

An important event in the history of the school system of Reading is the completion and occupancy of the new four-room building on Lowell st., replacing the one-room structure destroyed by fire a year ago. Two rooms in this building will be opened in February and the residents of that section of the Town will have school accommodation second to none in town, both now and for years to come. The building is a credit to Reading and for the amount expended represents unusual value. It follows out the wise policy of the School Committee as shown in the past, viz., embodying in each building built the best in architecture, hygiene, sanitation and service. For a detailed description of the building the architects' report and the cuts of the building may be consulted.

Truancy is among the worst evils connected with the administration of the schools, not because of the present loss

of education to the child, but because of its evil training for its future. Every truant is a potential criminal and it is a fact proved by statistics that 85% of all habitual truants land in jail. It is from this class of young boys if neglected or at least laxly treated by the school authorities, that the rowdy gangs are recruited that are a thorn in the flesh of the police of every town and city. Though no worse than other towns Reading possessed a group of young boys who had developed into habitual truants and had been so from their fifth grade up into the eighth. It was these lads who had proved a nuisance to the police in many cases and many of them had been to court for misdemeanors other than truancy. This problem was attacked with vigor in the fall and with very efficient work by the truant officer and especially wise and able co-operation on the part of Probation Officer Walsh of the 4th District Court in Woburn a complete change in conditions was made in a few months. Most of the boys yielded to pressure by the Superintendent. Only four were taken to court, and of these only one broke his probation and was committed to the County School at Chelmsford. It is a great satisfaction to be able to report that all of the troublesome group of boys, habitual truants of long standing, are attending school regularly, are improved in dress, looks and manners, and are actually doing their school work with interest and zest. Today truancy has practically become a lost art to the boys of Reading.

Among the many things the School Committee is trying to accomplish for the Reading schools is one which I wish to emphasize because I believe it the most important, although it cannot be catalogued or included in any list of tangible assets, but it is worthy of all the time, thought and energy which can be spent upon its attainment. I refer to what, for want of a better term, may be called the development of the "inspirational" side of the school administration, meaning that the SPIRIT of the school work counts far more toward the right sort of efficiency than the amount of work

itself. In other words, far more important than the improvement of physical surroundings, the providing of adequate equipment, the carrying out of technical routine, is the arousing of the teaching force to the point of their taking a strong, human and personal interest in the life, work and outlook of their pupils. The work of the school is, or should be, personal and spiritual, the material side is only an aid and an instrument to that end. A well-equipped and well-officered school system is inert and impotent unless it is alive and galvanic with the personal and spiritual enthusiasm of its workers arising from real love for and joy in their work. For such teachers ANYTHING is possible, the other kind work much but accomplish comparatively little of real value. The work of the schools should be intensely human, not technical; personal and individual, not mechanical and general; throbbing with live human interest at every point. With such a spirit team-work is possible, pettiness disappears, the broad outlook up and down is natural, the vision of the spirit of true education illuminates every problem and the school system is alive. Such a result is obtained only by the magic quality, personality. The right sort of personality should be sought in teachers, principals, school officers of every grade and then the right ideals fostered. The earnest attempt to approximate such a result is at the basis of the harmony and enthusiastic spirit which has characterized the work of the teachers during the past year. Whether or not our efforts to accomplish results along this line have borne fruit can be best gathered, perhaps, from the closing paragraph of the report to the School Committee rendered recently by Principal Barrows of the Highland School which I here quote:

“The work of a school has, of course, its trials and drudgery. I know of no person fairly successful in the business who really has no days of depression about the results of his efforts. But there are thousands of brighteners all along the way, and no single source of sunshine is so vitally

effective to the loyal teacher as the certainty that she has the sympathy and support of her Superintendent and employers. This year of 1910 has been smoothed to each teacher in my school by the ever-present assurance that her needs, when made known to her Superintendent, would receive from him prompt, honest, broad consideration; and that he and the school board were zealously planning every possible good thing for our entire school system."

I cannot let this report go by without expressing one of my strongest hopes for the future. It has always been my opinion that in certain ways the girls of our high schools of today are being neglected along lines that mean a great deal to them and to the future good of the whole community. Educational thought today is taking a decided trend along the line of "vocational training," but I will venture to say that nine times out of ten when that subject is mentioned the thought of the speaker is directed to boys alone. When we realize that ninety per cent. of our girls pass out of our schools to eventually become the guiding influence of households of their own, to have in their keeping the domestic welfare of men and women of the next generation, we cannot avoid the conclusion that theirs is the highest vocation of all and nothing is done by the schools to fit them in a practical way for it. The boys have their athletic sports and outdoor life, either fostered by the school or at home, but what is done to make the girls physically fit for the high calling they are about to assume? I cannot help feeling that a school would be doing more for any town if it could graduate from its courses each year a group of upstanding, healthy, clear-eyed, clean-blooded young women who have learned from the proper kind of teacher how to care for their own health and that of those dependent upon them, how to carry into a home of their own the right ideas of personal and domestic hygiene, house sanitation, food values and the preparation of substantial meals, far more than it is doing under the present system.

This is not a visionary or impractical project. By the securing of one teacher of the right sort and the installation of simple and inexpensive equipment for a cooking room in the basement of the High School each girl throughout her four year course could be given systematic physical training, practical instruction as to the acquirement and care of a healthy body, and elementary instruction in simple and practical cookery. I am emphatically of the opinion that such a course under the right instructor would be of more value to the community than any other now in the curriculum.

I make two recommendations:

1. That the town appropriate each year a specific amount for the installation inside the buildings of modern sanitary toilets in place of the present outbuildings, beginning this year with the Prospect Street School.

2. The establishment in the High School of a course in Physical Training and simple Domestic Science for the girls.

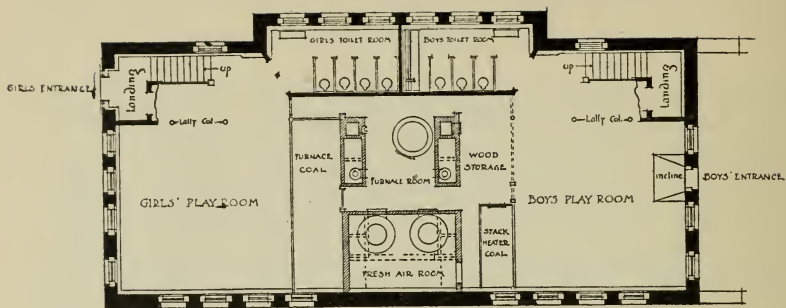
In closing, I wish to make the usual felicitations to Committee, parents and teachers (often a matter of form) especially emphatic and sincere. From my heart I thank all who have shown forbearance for lack of experience, and courteous appreciation of good intent. I sincerely hope that the spirit of harmony, enthusiasm and generous co-operation displayed alike by Committee, teachers and parents during this year just closed, may continue. Granted that, the future is full of hope.

Respectfully submitted,

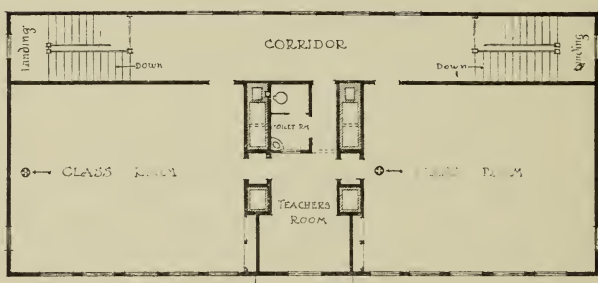
H. T. WATKINS,

Superintendent of Schools.

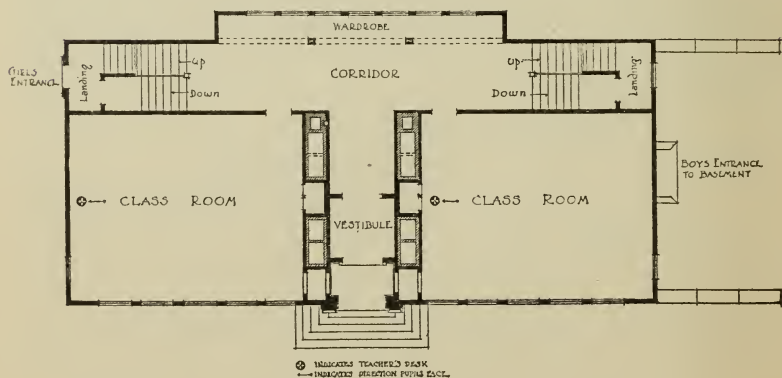
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BASEMENT PLAN



SECOND FLOOR PLAN



⊙ INDICATES TEACHER'S DESK
 → INDICATES PRESENTATION FOUNTAIN ETC.

FIRST FLOOR PLAN

ARCHITECTS' REPORT ON THE LOWELL STREET BUILDING

In designing the new Lowell Street School building, the question of location on the lot was carefully considered. To reduce the total cost of the building to as low a figure as possible, it was decided to set the structure practically on the foundations of the old school as far as they would go, extending the building to the south, and building a new wall on the front. However, after the batter boards were set in place, and the Committee went to the lot to give their approval, all were unanimous in the opinion that it should set further away from the street, and it was therefore changed to its present location.

The level of the first floor had necessarily to be kept high in order to get a high basement, the floor of which could be drained properly.

The plan of the building is simple, the boys entering directly into the basement on the southeast side, and the girls entering on the landing half-way between the basement and the first story, on the northwest side. The public and teachers' entrance is directly in the center, from which a corridor connects with the main corridor running across back of building. The hanging space for clothes is directly in front of this central corridor, equally accessible to both class rooms and boys' and girls' entrances.

Although the building is a two-story building and there is space for two class rooms, and teachers' room and corridor on the second story, these latter are not to be finished until such time as the school outgrows the two lower rooms.

The class rooms are lighted from one side by windows which are above the average standard size, making rooms which are unusually light and cheerful.

Slate blackboards cover the remainder of the walls not occupied by windows, and there are book closets in each room for the use of the teachers.

Each class room is heated by warm air which comes into room above blackboards, and ventilated by a similar sized duct which goes out at floor below blackboards.

In the basement are play-rooms for boys and girls, with toilet rooms for each. These toilets are fitted with fixtures similar to those being used in the Boston schools.

At present the building is heated by means of a large hot-air furnace. When second story is finished, a second hot-air furnace will be placed beside the present one, at which time each furnace will supply two rooms. Steam heat being necessary to produce the required current of air in ventilating ducts, the same boiler is utilized to heat toilet rooms, corridors, etc., the boiler being placed in the furnace room.

There is ample cold storage space connecting directly with furnace room, and all work in connection with furnaces and heating stacks is of brick. The floor of basement is concreted.

The interior finish of building is North Carolina pine, stained a grayish green, and walls, dados, etc., are to be of colors to harmonize.

The building has been wired for electric lighting, and is thoroughly modern in every way.

The exterior, although simple, will, when grading is completed, make another school building of which we trust Reading will be proud.

The general contractors for the work are Stewart & Robertson, the stone work being done by Mr. John Muse, plumbing by Francis Brothers, and the electric wiring by Clapp & Leach, all of whom have shown their desire to give the Town of Reading first-class work at very reasonable prices.

ADDEN & PARKER, Architects.

12 Bosworth St., Boston, Mass.

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER

1910 to 1911

Number of absences reported to me	119
Number found to be truancy	65
Number reported by parents as ill	8
Number reported insufficiently clad	8
Number kept out by parents to work or otherwise .	38
Put on probation	5
Sent to Truant School	1

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM KIDDER,

Truant Officer.

READING HIGH SCHOOL

Graduation Exercises

CLASS OF
.. 1910 ..

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE TWENTY - TWO

High School Hall

PROGRAM

PRAYER BY REV. FRANCIS WALSH
St. Agnes' Church

1 A Plea for the Little Ones (Salutatory)
FLORENCE LOUISE JENKINS

2 Early Puritan Music
* MARGUERITE PARKS

3 History of 1910
† GEORGE WESTON ABBOTT

"Six O'clock in the Bay" Adams

4 The Women of the American Revolution
‡ MILDRED GRAHAM ROBINSON

5 The House by the Side of the Road (Original Story)
† HELEN BANCROFT PARKER

"Bright Dews of the Morning" Crowe

6 America's Greatest Humorist
‡ ARTHUR MICHELINI

7 A Step Toward More Popular Government (Valedictory)
* EDWARD FRANCIS EATON

"Soldiers' Life" Sullivan
(Adapted from "The Pirates of Penzance")

Conferring of Diplomas

WALTER S. PARKER
Chairman School Committee

BENEDICTION BY REV. MARION FRANKLIN HAM
Christian Union Church

* Tied for first honors in scholarship

‡ Class honor

† Faculty honor

MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1910

SCIENTIFIC COURSE

Abbott, George Weston	Michellini, Arthur
Clarke, Joseph Harold	Parks, Henry Francis
Cooper, Harry Clifford	Robinson, Chester Thomas
Eaton, Edward Francis	Smith, Carl Manning
Hoffman, Gordon Wesley	Whittier, Irving Maurice
Kershaw, Warren Reed	

COLLEGE COURSE

Babcock, Harold James	Jenkins, Florence Louise
Buckle, Vera Pearl	Parker, Helen Bancroft
Clark, Helen Louise	Turner, Anna Rebecca
Clark, Maud Evelyn	Willis, Margery
Drugan, Olive Morse	

NORMAL COURSE

Barr, Mabel Caroline	Symmes, Marjorie Oedel
Haag, Marion Lauretta	Turner, Esther May
Murphy, Elizabeth Amelia	

GENERAL COURSE

Charles, Melva Sumner	Parker, Henry Baxter
Crowther, Elsie May	Parks, Marguerite
Cullinane, Sadie Frances	Pease, Christine Jones
Eisenhaure, Bertha May	Phelps, Raymond Arthur
Flint, Russell Armstrong	Putnam, Georgie Amelia
Forbes, Frank Dawson	Quinlan, Mary Elizabeth
Galvin, Maurice Francis	Rice, Mae Eloise
Gear, Francis Lillian	Riley, Margaret Mabel
Granfield, Christine	Robinson, Mildred Graham
Greeley, Ethel Elizabeth	Tarbox, Edith Vivian
Griffiths, Marguerite Jennie	Turner, Bernice Maude
Knowles, Harriette Ann	Whitchurch, May Blanche
Maguire, John Francis	White, Ethel Morrison
Michellini, Dominick Daniel	Whitehouse, Daniel Arthur
Nichols, Jesse Raymond	Wilkinson, Blanche
Oxley, Frances Folsom	

**PUPILS GRADUATING FROM HIGHLAND SCHOOL,
JUNE 23, 1911**

GIRLS

Alger, Dorothy M.
Allen, Helen E.
Bacigalupo, Julia E.
Badger, Marie I. M.
Bancroft, Grace U.
Bangs, Emma J.
Bird, Esther A.
Buck, Ruth A.
Burke, Mary L.
Butters, Sarah G.
Carleton, Helen
Chellis, Muriel M.
Cowles, Minnie T.
Cram, Ruth I.
Doran, Mary
Emery, Gladys
Evans, Ethel
Fay, Esther G.
Fish, Doris G.
Hobby, Elsie M.
Hook, Bernice E.
Hutchinson, Mildred
Jewett, Marion W.
Johnson, Helen M. E.
Kidder, Marion L.
Litchfield, R. Gertrude
McKay, Effie
McLeod, Elsie J.
Melvin, Catherine
Meuse, Alma E.
Miller, Eileen M.

BOYS

Baker, Earle T.
Becker, Elmer A.
Canty, Paul C.
Coleman, Joseph A.
Crowther, Louis E.
Cummings, Edward T.
Cummings, John F.
Dane, J. Chandler
Dennison, Robert A.
Dodge, Harry L.
Downing, Willard C.
Doucette, Arthur L.
Duby, Russell
Eaton, Roger S.
Ells, Fred W.
Esterberg, Herbert L.
Florence, William E.
Frotten, Fred A.
Gadbois, I. Edward
Gould, Chester T.
Hobby, Harry R.
Hook, Homer M.
Howes, Ellsworth
Hutchinson, Lester
Jewett, Henry H.
MacDonald, Leon F.
McKenna, Robert
Merrill, Ashley L.
Moulton, LeRoy W.
Murray, John
Nichols, Richard B.

GIRLS

Mitchell, Maude M.
Moore, Emma L.
Nagel, Elizabeth I.
Prentiss, Myrtle E.
Quillan, Annie W.
Reid, Margarite E.
Sherman, Mabel E.
Staples, Marcia L.
Sullivan, Helen
Surrette, Marguerite
Thomas, Susie
Webb, Eva M.
Wehrle, Madeleine T.
Wells, Beatrice M.
Whittier, Margaret E.

BOYS

Norris, Raymond
Park, James A.
Porter, Earl T.
Richardson, Eugene A.
Riley, John
Ruggles, Gould B.
Sherman, Erville B.
Stevens, Caleb F.
Stevens, Donald H.
Talbot, Vernon
Thorburn, George E.
Wall, John T.
Walsh, Albert H.
Walsh, John J.
Watters, J. Goldsworth
Weston, Harold L.
Wilson, Ralph E.

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Length of school year, 1909-1910	10 months
Number of days lost from stormy days, etc.	39½ days
Actual length of school year	8 months 3½ days
Number of different pupils enrolled for the year ending June, 1909	1309

Average number in each of the twelve grades for the first four months of school year:—

YEAR	I.	II.	III.	IV.	V.	VI.	VII.	VIII.	IX.	X.	XI.	XII.	SP.	TOTAL
1899	120	103	102	87	108	75	93	68	56	46	17	23	5	903
1900	127	136	66	107	89	98	66	82	49	37	36	14	0	907
1901	177	102	108	77	105	87	97	64	61	42	28	25	5	978
1902	142	126	90	86	117	98	100	70	56	64	34	21	4	1008
1903	127	114	103	104	86	109	97	93	63	61	53	31	9	1050
1904	129	131	116	116	95	91	109	86	79	61	53	54	4	1123
1905	129	118	130	124	105	104	88	100	85	76	45	48	4	1156
1906	118	129	109	127	120	100	93	100	88	72	63	42	5	1166
1907	120	110	150	114	123	109	96	110	78	82	58	50	6	1212
1908	123	111	120	128	97	138	97	118	92	75	75	47	5	1226
1909	133	113	118	124	119	93	116	108	110	79	68	62	7	1250
1910	119	116	105	121	120	109	88	108	116	98	75	53	9	1237

TEACHERS IN SERVICE, WHERE EDUCATED, YEAR WHEN APPOINTED

ALSO ENROLLMENT FOR FOUR MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 23, 1910

School	Grade	Teachers	Where Educated	Year First Appointed	Salary	Total Enrollment	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent. of Attendance	Cases of Tardiness	Cases of Dismissal
High	IX-XII	H. T. Watkins, M. A., Master	Colby College	1903	\$2200	339	332.1	315.5	94.8	87	7
"	"	W. P. Raymond, A. B.	Brown University	1909	1100						
"	"	Henrietta Sperry	Smith College	1910	550						
"	"	Dorothy Day	Wellesley College	1910	550						
"	"	Alice Lombard	Bay Path Institute	1907	750						
"	"	Sara A. Quimby	Mt. Holyoke College	1909	600						
"	"	Helen Chapin	Mt. Holyoke College	1909	600						
"	"	Marion West	Boston University	1909	600						
"	"	Marjorie Wheeler	Mt. Holyoke College	1909	600						
"	"	Agnes M. Gilmore	Boston University	1909	600						
"	"	Rena M. Bush	Tufts College	1909	600						
"	"	S. Eleanor Byrknian	Tufts College	1910	550						
Highland	"	Alice Barrows, Principal	Bridgewater Normal	1899	650		34.5	32.3	93.6	42	18
"	VIII	Emma S. Page, Asst. Principal	Bridgewater Normal	1899	650	36	35	32.4	93.1	53	2
"	VIII	Fannie C. Whittemore	N. H. State Normal, Hyannis	1905	600	37	35.2	33.2	93.8	55	13
"	VIII	Alice E. Hood	Concord Training School	1902	600	36	42.1	39.6	94	46	4
"	VII	Lavinia C. Cairns	Lowell Normal	1907	600	46	44.7	41.9	93.4	35	16
"	VII	Bessie M. Parker	Salem Normal	1905	600	45	34.7	32.8	94.4	24	7
"	VI	Pearl M. Pillsbury	Newburyport Training	1908	550	39	38	36.2	95	68	15
"	VI	Julia A. Floyd	Lowell Normal	1907	550	39	38	36.2	95	68	15
"	VI	Grace E. Putnam	Hyannis Normal	1910	550	36	34.8	32.4	92.9	34	20
"	V	Elsa R. Anderson	Lowell Normal	1908	550	42	40.7	37.9	93.1	62	8
"	V	M. Louise Robbins	Framingham Normal	1909	500	40	38.7	35.6	92	56	16
Centre	III	May Foley	Salem Normal	1890	600	40	38.1	35	94.6	19	4
"	IV	M. Grace Wakefield, Principal	Lowell Normal	1910	500	49	47.2	44	94.1	16	1
"	V	Rose Fuller	Salem Normal	1910	500	39	38.3	35.8	92.3	15	13
"	IV	Ethel M. Flanders	Salem Normal	1905	500	48	47.1	43.4	92.8	11	7
"	III	Joyce L. Fielder	Salem Normal	1908	500	44	43.4	40.2	92.2	15	25
Union St.	III	Eudora W. Gould, Principal	Farmington Normal	1907	600	38	36.4	33.1	91.9	37	17
"	II	Anna P. Reid	Reading High School	1884	525	40	39.2	36.4	92.6	19	41
"	I	Marion H. Morgan	Bridgewater Normal	1904	500	41	39.5	34.1	86.3	39	7
"	I	Julia M. Noyes	Salem Normal	1909	39	37.5	33.1	88	51	21	31
Prospect St.	I-II	Ada E. Dow, Principa	Lowell Normal	1909	550	61	59.4	53.9	93.3	13	13
"	III-IV	Helen Knowlton	Lowell Normal	1909	550	37	34.3	32.1	92.8	30	7
Chestnut Hill	I-IV	Isabelle Cordiner	Lowell Normal	1910	550	27	26.4	24.7	92.8	19	2

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Appropriations:

General, for Superintendent, teachers, janitors, fuel and transportation	\$30,000 00
Incidentals—books, supplies, in- cidental and repairs	5,000 00

Receipts:

From North Reading tuition	2,103 75	
City of Boston	31 50	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	208 50	
Sundry sources	12 60	
	<hr style="width: 10%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: bottom;"/> \$37,356 35	

EXPENDITURES

Paid for teachers, janitors and fuel	\$28,587 00	
Incidentals and repairs	3,269 88	
Books and supplies	3,711 48	
Superintendent of Schools	799 92	
Transportation	1,054 00	
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Total expenditures		\$37,422 28
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Overdraft		\$65 93

ITEMIZED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES FOR BOOKS, SUPPLIES, INCIDENTALS AND REPAIRS

American Express Co., express charges	819 53
Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover, books and supplies	208 40
Atkinson, Geo. H. Co., brooms, soaps, etc.	12 74
American Book Co., text books	485 85
Allyn & Bacon, text books	76 16
Ames Implement & Seed Co., tools for school garden	4 16
American Writing Machine Co., repairs on typewriters	9 82
Allen Shade Holder Co., curtains, Centre and Union sts.	131 89
Appleton, D. & Co., text books	24 13
Allen Bros., rubber stamps and type	4 70
Babb, Edw. E. & Co., school supplies and paper	724 42
Babcock, Harold J., labor in laboratories	7 75
Badger, W. B. & Co., refinishing furniture	14 00
Bancroft, Lewis M., insurance	12 70
Bancroft, Wendell & Co., lumber, etc.	16 55
Barnard, F. J. & Co., rebinding books	99 11
Bay State Paper Co., cover stock	3 15
Bean, R. F., window cleaners	3 75
Berry Bros., Ltd., shellac and varnish	7 41
Berry & Rich, vegetables for biology department	98
Birchard, C. C., music	10 95
Bird, Archer Co., varnish cleaner	3 00
Blunt, John A., repairing	2 00
Breck, Joseph & Sons, tools and grass seed	23 34
Brown, Albert E., music	6 00
Burgess, R. P., mason work, Centre	3 50
Carter, Rice & Co., paper and envelopes	1 50
Carter's Ink Co., typewriter ribbons	20 38
Chandler & Barber, hardware and tools	21 50
Charles, M. F., stationery and supplies	11 90
Clapp, R. D., repairs	76 13

Clapp & Leach, electrical work	\$10 50
Clark, Miriam P., supplies	1 00
Clark, C. M. Pub. Co., text books	70 60
Chamberlain Metal Weather Strip Co., weather strips	41 72
Cook, A. S., cheese cloth	1 30
Cook, W. F., retinting, Highland and Union St. schools	170 00
Cummings Express Co., express and carting ashes	82 47
Ditson, Oliver & Co., music	10 88
Dallman, H. I. Co., brushes, mops and cleaners .	102 75
Dustbane Mfg. Co., sweeping compound . .	2 50
Devaney, Matthew, labor at Chestnut Hill . ,	2 00
Dimond, H. C., rubber stamps	1 73
Davis Square Co., brass polish for laboratories .	1 00
Doucette, Geo. L., fertilizer	3 00
Esterbrook Steel Pen Mfg. Co., pens	23 50
Ells, Alfred E., preparing flower bed, Chestnut Hill	8 05
Eames, Hugh L., labor on flag poles	8 35
Edgerly & Bessom, rent of chairs, Prospect . .	1 50
Eames, L. T., electrical supplies and labor . .	82 42
Eimer & Amend, chemicals and chem. apparatus	41 00
Fife, T. C., repairs	145 25
Francis Bros., repairs	244 77
Galley, Chas. E., repairing typewriters . . .	19 50
Globe Stamp Works, rubber stamps	1 75
Grimes, James W., legal services	20 00
Ginn & Co., text books	298 01
Hammet, J. L. Co., supplies	207 71
Houghton, Mifflin Co., text books	40 68
Heywood Bros., Wakefield Co., repairing chairs .	1 50
Hunter, J. B., Co., hardware	3 22
Howard Dustless Duster Co., dusters	6 39
Hodson Bros., painting exit signs, etc. . . .	22 15
Heath, D. O., text books	55 21
Ideal Ventilator Co., ventilator at High School .	4 00

Jackson, Charles S., reseating chairs	\$2 70
Johnson, Frank L., painting	12 00
Johnson, Mrs. H. L., mending flag	75
John-Manville, H. W., Co., sweeping compound .	2 50
Johnston, J. G., Co., exit signs	3 00
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, furniture and supplies	49 96
Knox & Morse, cleansing compound	1 00
Knott, L. E., Apparatus Co., physics supplies .	67 74
Kidder, William, truant fees	50 00
Library Bureau, office supplies	44 49
Ladd, Frederick A., tuning pianos	12 25
LeFave, J. A., repairs at Highland School . .	8 56
LeCasse, T. Adolph, preparing biology specimens	6 20
Latin Game Co., supplies	1 45
Little, Brown & Co., text books	38 36
Longmans, Green & Co., text books	1 63
Murphy, J. A., repairing clocks	12 28
Metcalf, E. C., supplies	10 36
Municipal Light Board, light service	70 45
McDonald, F. G., supplies	19 46
Manning, J. Woodward, shrubs and labor, Pros- pect and High	254 00
Milton Bradley Co., supplies	42 53
Merrill, Charles E., Co., text books	33 79
Nichols, C. A., cleaning rug	1 00
Neostyle Co., neostyle and paper	36 00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone service . . .	121 86
Nesmith, C. I., cleanser	8 75
Nelson, Thomas & Sons, encyclopedia	68 40
Orient Mfg. Co., Orient spray	86 00
Parker, Asa, labor on grounds	180 13
People's Gas & Electric Co., gas service . . .	45 00
Parker & Page, manual training supplies . . .	150 12
Parker, F. A., punch for reception	6 98
Quimby, Sara A., chemicals	9 70

Remington Typewriter Co., typewriter and ribbons	147 50
Reading Floral Co., preparing window boxes, High School	15 25
Reading Custom Laundry, laundry service . .	5 46
Roundy, E. J., repairs on buildings	448 19
Reading Water Works, water service	160 45
Richmond, E. D., salary, Medical Inspector .	200 00
Rockport Fish Market, biology specimens . .	1 05
Scott Paper Co., paper towels	2 00
Sanborn, Benjamin H., text books	61 42
Stewart & Robertson, biology cabinet	124 75
Silver, Burdette & Co., text books	33 05
Stanley Liquid Soap Co., soap	75
Scribners, Charles, Sons, text books	46 50
Standard Electric Time Co., repairs on clock .	14 40
Smith, A. A., school census	50 00
Studley, E. H., engrossing diplomas	14 20
Stein, Franc C., sweeping compound	3 75
Thompson, J. J., resurfacing blackboards . .	74 30
Thorp & Maeter Co., paper	1 44
Twombly, W. E. and J. F., printing and supplies	143 85
Talbot Chemical Co., Tabo	15 00
Tarbel, E. H., lamp shade	1 00
Welch, W. F., fertilizer	16 00
Ward, Samuel Co., ink and supplies	8 75
West Disinfectant Co., disinfectant	40 00
Wallace, Fred, supplies	3 85
Willis, W. H., chemicals	4 97
Watkins, H. T., travelling expenses, etc. . .	87 32
Wadsworth, Howland Co., drawing materials .	26 75
White, Harold E., laboratory assistance . . .	1 00

\$6,981 36

REPORT OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
Proceeds of dog tax, 1909	737 28
	\$1,737 28

EXPENDED

Rent:

Odd Fellows' Building Association	\$600 00
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Salaries:

Bertha L. Brown, librarian	\$300 00
Grace J. Abbott, assistant	43 75
C. H. Stinchfield, janitor	51 99
	395 74

Books:

Old Corner Bookstore, Inc.	\$459 48
C. E. Lauriat Co.	64 75
Robert Appleton	54 00
	578 23

Periodicals:

M. F. Charles	\$58 95
H. W. Wilson Co.	10 00
	68 95

Sundries:

Municipal Light Board, lighting \$46 91	
W. E. & J. F. Twombly, printing 25 50	
Library Bureau, supplies 19 40	
	91 81
	\$1,734 73

Unexpended to 1911	\$2 55
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FINE ACCOUNT

Amount on hand Jan. 1, 1910 . . .	\$77 36	
Received from fines, sale of catalogues, cards, etc.	56 32	\$133 68
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Paid for expressage	\$6 28	
Postage and small supplies	8 82	
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Balance		\$118 58

During the year 225 new titles have been added to the library. Duplicates and replacements number 115. The volumes given to the library include the following: From the United States Government (documents and reports), 5; Commonwealth of Massachusetts (documents and reports), 28; other sources, 13. The number of volumes worn out and not replaced is 103. The number lost is 4. The total number now belonging to the library is 11,959. During the year the circulation for home use was 16,212 volumes; the largest circulation for any single month being 1,648 in December, and the smallest 586 in January, during which month the library was open only eight days.

The librarian, Miss Bertha L. Brown, reports to the Trustees as follows:

"The closing of the library from January 11, 1910, until February 21 (on account of the epidemic of smallpox in this town) necessarily reduced the circulation for the year.
* * * The number of card holders now registered is 1,711, and 291 new names have been added during the year. This number includes some who formerly held cards, but who had not used them since the new registration was begun in June, 1908. The Woman's Educational Association of Massachusetts lent the library from June to October their traveling library of books and pictures on Egypt, and in December sent us another set on Dutch art, which will remain until next June."

During the year the Trustees have added to the library a carefully selected list of books in the different departments of literature, including the more important recent publications in biography, history, travel, general literature and fiction. As usual the titles have been published in The Reading Chronicle, and added to the card catalogue in the library.

We wish our citizens who do not now use the library would become card holders and avail themselves of its resources. As to its capacity for usefulness to every one in the community we can do no better than to repeat what we said some years ago: "The time has passed when the public library which fills its true place in the community can confine its work to the distribution of fiction or books intended merely for recreation. That is but one phase of its usefulness, however important that phase may be. The library now takes a leading position as an educational institution, supplementing the public schools and having functions which the limitations of the public schools prevent them from exercising. The artisan or mechanic may find among its books those which will enable him to increase his efficiency and add to his income. The tradesman sometimes has problems that may be solved through books; he may find such books in the public library. The farmer may find there the latest information which has appeared in print upon soils or cultural processes. Questions are constantly arising about current events, or the past history of our country, or the numerous topics which interest those who read the daily papers. In the public library are books of reference which throw light upon these questions. The relation of the public library to young readers who are just entering upon the active duties of life, and who may be led through its opportunities into friendly companionship with books, and thus made to rely upon their help, needs only to be suggested to impress us with its importance."

The activities of the library could be much extended and its usefulness enlarged if we had here a modern, well equipped library building with separate reading rooms for adults and children. This may come in time. Until then the Town may congratulate itself that it possesses a collection of books well worth the attention of all our citizens, and capable of being used far more widely than at present.

We again put upon record our appreciation of the faithful service of the librarian, Miss Brown.

The terms of Cyrus M. Barrows and Mrs. Marion F. Davies expire with the current year.

It is desirable that an appropriation as large as that for the year just closed shall be made for the maintenance of the library during the ensuing year, to wit, \$1,000, and the proceeds of the dog tax. The fixed charges of the library, as we have pointed out in previous years, cannot be reduced. These cover rent, light and services. The amount remaining after these fixed charges are paid, is the minimum amount upon which the library can be operated with its present degree of efficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE G. WADLIN, Chairman,
CYRUS M. BARROWS, Secretary,
J. WOODWARD MANNING,
HENRY C. PARKER,
MARION F. DAVIES,
GRACE L. TWOMBLY,

Trustees.

READING: For the year ending December 31, 1910.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR, 1908

DR.

Uncollected taxes Jan. 1, 1910 .	\$14,064 63
Interest	1,321 03
Amount collected, account postage	72

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Paid W. C. Mansfield, Treasurer .	\$14,870 40
Abatements	515 26
Postage account	72
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	\$15,386 38
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	\$15,386 38

MERRICK A. STONE,

Collector.

Reading, January 1, 1911.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND PROVISIONS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

I herewith wish to submit my report as Inspector of Cattle for the year ending Dec. 31, 1910.

The annual inspection of neat cattle, sheep, swine, etc., was ordered by the Chief of the Cattle Bureau in October, which was carried out in an impartial and thorough manner.

I have examined about 400 heads of cattle and 70 stables where cattle are kept, answered all questions truthfully, pertaining to light, ventilation, water supply, drainage, cleanliness, etc. I find that with few exceptions the cattle are equal to those of any town about here; but I regret very much having to report some stables as being unclean and one or two as filthy. While it is often inconvenient to keep the stable perfectly clean there is no excuse for it being filthy, and those especially where only one or two cows are kept for home use.

Unfortunately, a stray rabid dog which presumably passed through town infecting one here caused some uneasiness for a short time, but fortunately up to this time no other ill effects have been noticed and it is sincerely hoped will not.

One outbreak of glanders has been encountered and through careful isolation and compliance to the quarantine laws no further trouble is expected, and all at the present time are being thoroughly disinfected. The slaughtering industry is not quite so flourishing as in 1909, there being 302 more heads slaughtered in 1909 than in 1910.

1910: Cattle	884
Calves	558
Hogs	697
Sheep	30
Goats	5
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									2,174

Yours very truly,

C. H. PLAYDON, M. D. V.

TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Reading :

In accordance with the vote of the Town at a special meeting held Sept. 29, 1909, to provide funds for the building of the Lowell St. School House, I have issued the notes of the Town to the amount of \$6,500. The first note for \$1,500 falls due Sept. 27, 1911, and \$1,000 each year thereafter until 1916, when the last one will have been paid.

A note has been issued for \$1,800 for the purpose of extending the Municipal Light and Power lines to the Pumping Station, as per vote passed at a special meeting held Nov. 30, 1909. This note falls due Jan. 21, 1913.

For the purpose of extending the Municipal Light and Power lines into the Town of North Reading there has been issued twelve notes of \$1,000 each, the first falling due March 27, 1914, and one each year thereafter until 1925, when all will have been paid. This is in accordance with the vote passed at a special meeting held June 21, 1910.

All the above notes bear interest at 4 % per annum, payable semi-annually.

On June 18, 1907, at a special meeting, a vote was passed authorizing the sale of Water Bonds to an amount not exceeding \$14,000, for the purpose of remodelling the water filter. In accordance therewith I have sold bonds for the above amount—seven \$1,000 bonds being sold in February at a premium of \$35 for each bond and the balance sold in June at a premium of \$3.62 for each bond.

Notes have been issued the past year for temporary loans in anticipation of taxes to the amount of \$105,000. Of this amount \$50,000 has been paid, leaving a balance of \$55,000, maturing in 1911.

The average daily balance of Temporary Loans for the year 1910 was \$76,767.12; the average rate of interest paid for Temporary Loans for 1910 was 3.91 per cent.

Yours respectfully,

WARD C. MANSFIELD,

Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT, TOWN OF READING

MUNICIPAL LIGHT AND POWER DEPARTMENT.

DR.

1910

Jan. 1, To balance cash from 1909		
Report	\$104 32	
To cash from Municipal Light		
Board Commissioners . .	38,204 66	
To cash, proceeds of note,		
Pumping Station Extension	1,800 00	
To cash, proceeds of note,		
North Reading Extension .	12,000 00	
To interest, First National		
Bank, Reading, deposits .	52 91	
	<hr/>	\$52,161 89

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By payment Municipal Light		
Board Commissioners' or-		
ders	\$51,940 80	
By balance cash on hand Dec.		
31, 1910	221 09	
	<hr/>	\$52,161 89

WARD C. MANSFIELD,

Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT, TOWN OF READING

WATER SUPPLY DEPARTMENT

DR.

1910

Jan. 1, To balance cash from 1909		
Report	\$49 83	
To cash from Water Commis-		
sioners	24,891 49	
To cash from sale of bonds .	14,000 00	
To cash, premium on bonds .	270 34	
To cash, accrued interest on		
bonds	69 22	
To interest, First National		
Bank, Reading, deposit .	76 74	
	<hr/>	\$39,357 62

CR.

By payment Water Commis-		
sioners' orders	\$38,942 59	
By balance cash on hand Dec.		
31, 1910 ,	415 03	
	<hr/>	\$39,357 62

WARD C. MANSFIELD,

Treasurer.

DR.

TREASURER'S REPORT

1910		
Jan. 1,	To cash balance from Dec. 31, 1909	\$1,005 40
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Highway Department.....	1,005 00
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Corporation Tax.....	267 33
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, National Bank Tax.....	41 73
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Temporary Aid.....	197 97
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Moth Department.....	1,249 80
	County of Middlesex, Dog Tax, 1909.....	737 28
	Proceeds of Notes, Temporary Loans	102,611 03
	Proceeds of Notes, Lowell St. Schoolhouse.....	6,500 00
	H. M. Viall, Collector, Tax 1907.....	89 44
	H. M. Viall, Collector, Tax 1909	29,683 54
	H. M. Viall, Collector, Tax 1910	82,901 89
	M. A. Stone, Collector, Tax 1903.....	14,870 40
	Town of Canton, Outside Poor	79 56
	Town of Marblehead, Soldiers' Relief.....	48 00
	City of Cambridge, Outside Poor.....	176 89
	City of Lynn, Outside Poor.....	41 05
	Overseers of the Poor, Town Home	3,258 67
	Highway Department, Rent of Road Roller.....	330 00
	Highway Department, Sundry Payments and Material Sold.....	106 49
	Fire Department, Sundry Payments and Material Sold.....	46 15
	Police Department, Third District Court Fines.....	148 00
	Police Department, Telephone Tolls and Lost Badge.....	1 30
	Sundry Payments, Edgestone Account, 1909	89 96
	Board of Health, C. W. Smith, Trustee	14 00
	Board of Health, Sundry Payments and Material Sold.....	9 10
	Water Department, Account Payment of Bonds	2,000 00
	School Department, Tuition, North Reading.....	2,103 75
	School Department, Tuition, City of Boston	31 50
	School Department, Material Sold.....	27 60
	Moth Department, Collections	955 69
	Cemetery Department, Labor	15 00
	Cemetery Account, Sale of Lots and Graves	1,785 00
	Interest Account, Interest on National Bank Deposits.....	316 96
	Excise Tax	2,615 11
	Insurance, Rebates and Return Charges	61 02
	Cemetery Bequest, Mrs. Mary S. Goodwin	60 00
	Cemetery Bequest, Estate Susan Cummings.....	50 00
	Cemetery Bequest, Estate Henry Damon	100 00
	Cemetery Bequest, Mrs. Maria P. Howard.....	100 00
	Cemetery Bequest, O. P. Symonds & Sons.....	125 00
	H. M. Viall, Collector, Redemption of Land Taken for Taxes	56 29
	Tree Warden Department, Woman's Club	15 00
	License Fees	84 00
	Sealer of Weights and Measures	27 42
	H. M. Viall, Collector, Certificate of Taxes and Abatement.....	5 00
	M. A. Stone, Collector, Return Postage.....	72
	Forest Warden, Cash Returned	1 75
	Sundry Departments.....	5,802 16
		<u>\$261,849 40</u>

TOWN OF READING

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By Payment of Sundry Vouchers Approved by Board of Selectmen.....	\$257,729 48
By Balance Dec. 31, 1910	4,119 92
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	\$261,849 40

WARD C. MANSFIELD,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF AUDITORS

TRUST FUNDS

Bequest of Nancy Wakefield	\$100 00
“ Thomas Sweetser	100 00
“ Sabrina Nichols	100 00
“ Martha Pike	25 00
“ Sarah Batchelder	25 00
“ T. T. Greenwood	500 00
“ Mark Temple	100 00
“ Susan Wright, Elizabeth Preston and Margaret Gilman	75 00
“ Elizabeth B. Eames and Ida L. Nelson	100 00
“ Sevena Coggin	100 00
“ Margaret Towne	100 00
“ Lucretia A. Hopkins and Elias Board- man	150 00
“ Sarah Smith	100 00
“ Gilman D. Kingman	100 00
“ Rosamond C. Pratt	100 00
“ Mary F. Harnden	100 00
“ Mary B. Wakefield	100 00
“ James A. Bancroft, Ex. P. Jane Batchelder	100 00
“ Arthur D. Kingman, Ex. Gardner French	50 00
“ Estate P. A. Corkins	100 00
“ Dorinda R. Pratt, Ex. T. B. Pratt .	200 00
“ Mary Ann McAllister	100 00
“ Gilman A. Coggin	100 00
“ Mary Ann McAllister for Joseph Bryant	50 00
“ Mary Evans	50 00

Bequest of Frederick Bancroft, Ex. Harriet B.

	Bancroft	\$60 13
"	Estate of Samuel Pierce	100 00
"	D. W. Berry, Ex. Caroline Hammond	100 00
"	William L. Crowe	100 00
"	Heirs of George C. Coney	100 00
"	Heirs of Sherman Chase	75 00
"	Estate of Isaac M. Clark	100 00
"	Estate of Anna G. Butler	150 00
"	Estate Mary E. Badger	100 00
"	Estate Heil J. Nelson	200 00
"	Estate John Burrill	100 00
"	Estate F. O. Dewey	300 00
"	Estate S. H. Dinsmore	100 00
"	Mary J. Kimball	50 00
"	Alden and Lois D. Batchelder	100 00
"	Estate of Charles A. Weston	100 00
"	Henry F. Parker	100 00
"	Sarah D. Eaton	100 00
"	Heirs of James H. Bancroft	75 00
"	Mary W. Pratt	50 00
"	Climena Wakefield	100 00
"	Estate Louisa M. Eaton	100 00
"	Maria E. Waitt	100 49
"	Adrien Mertens	200 00
"	Albert P. Gleason	50 00
"	Frances P. Dow	100 00
"	Estate Thomas Richardson	100 00
"	Helen M. Sherman	50 00
"	Fannie Cottrell	50 00
"	Charles E. Hall	100 00
"	Lucy W. Parker	75 00
"	Estate Martha R. Temple	100 00
"	Estate Needham Nichols	100 00
"	Mary W. Pratt	50 00
"	Mrs. James T. Norris	30 00

Bequest of Estate Francis Kingman	\$100 00
“ Estate Albert Nichols	100 00
“ George L. Smith	200 00
“ Susan A. Martin	100 00
“ Maria Carter	100 00
“ Hubbard and Elbridge Copeland and Leander Willey	150 00
“ John Draffin	100 00
“ Hattie D. Pond, Executrix	100 00
“ Trustees of Laura Frost	50 00
“ Abby C. Clapp	100 00
“ Emily Alice Jones	100 00
“ Emma M. Brown	75 00
“ F. Eliza Kingman	100 00
“ Edward T. Pendergrace	100 00
“ Fannie A. Morton	100 00
“ Lewis M. Bancroft	50 00
“ Caroline L. White	50 00
“ Hannah C. Cochrane	50 00
“ Charles W. Cochrane	200 00
“ Edgar M. Knight	100 00
“ Reuben Weston	100 00
“ J. B. Hopkins	100 00
“ I. P. M. Wiggin	100 00
“ Joseph H. Gleason	50 00
“ Mary Norwood	50 00
“ Lyman Whiting	50 00
“ Ellen M. Carr	100 00
“ Emma S. Nelson	100 00
“ Henry E. Holden, Adm.	50 00
“ C. E. Skillings	100 00
“ Isaac Munroe	100 00
“ William H. Wightman	100 00
“ Lizzie B. Davis	100 00
“ Hubbard E. Cox	80 00
“ Helen C. Prentiss	100 00

Bequest of Louise Leathe	\$100 00
" Arthur M. Coons	75 00
" Thomas and F. E. Appleton	150 00
" Mary A. Gilman	100 00
" A. Newell Howes	100 00
" Mrs. Frances Todd	100 00
" James F. Wright	100 00
" Ella M. Damon	100 00
" M. Elizabeth Broad	100 00
" Walter H. Norris	75 00
" Mary J. Harris	50 00
" Estate of Milton D. Parker	100 00
" Mary G. McIntire	50 00
" Margaret O. Pinkham	150 00
" Irma E. Mayo	100 00
" Mrs. A. B. Matthews	100 00
" Eunice E. Damon	100 00
" Estate of Ellen M. Damon	75 00
" Abby C. Spokesfield	100 00
" Estate of Susan Bancroft	100 00
" Heirs of Clinton B. and Wm. J. Hol- den (per Treasurer's report, 1905)	100 00
" Florence W. Temple (per Treasurer's report, 1906)	75 00
" Mrs. Charles O. Tweed	50 00
" Nathan Bancroft	100 00
" Caroline E. Wright	100 00
" Selinda H. Pratt	85 00
" Estate of Eliza A. Barrows	100 00
" Rachel A. Coggin	50 00
" Mrs. E. A. Lovejoy	100 00
" Estate of H. H. Howard	100 00
" Estate of Mrs. H. E. Shackford	100 00
" Mary S. Goodwin	60 00
" Estate Susan Cummings	50 00
" Maria P. Howard	100 00

Bequest of O. P. Symonds & Son	\$125 00
" Estate Henry Damon	100 00
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	\$12,815 62
Interest accrued on above funds not yet expended	835 04
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Total	\$13,650 66

We have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Water Commissioners and Electric Light Commissioners and found satisfactory vouchers for all expenditures.

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Collector and Town Clerk and found them correct.

We have also examined the bonds and notes paid during the year and found them, with the exception of Highland School Bonds Nos. 23 and 24, for \$1,000 each, which had not been presented for payment and for which checks are still outstanding, to be duly paid and cancelled.

We believe the Town is to be congratulated on the new system of keeping the accounts at the Town office. The work has been much simplified and it is possible to obtain a comprehensive report of the financial condition of the Town at any time during the year.

FRANK H. NUTTING,
WILLIAM H. WILLSON,
OSCAR W. BATCHELDER,
Auditors.

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